



ST. ANASTASIA CATHOLIC CHURCH

BAPTISM REGISTRATION

The Sacrament of Baptism

“Holy Baptism is the basis of the whole Christian life, the gateway to life in the Spirit, and the door which gives access to the other sacraments. Through Baptism we are freed from sin and reborn as sons of God; we become members of Christ, are incorporated into the Church and made sharers in her mission: Baptism is the sacrament of regeneration through water in the word.”

[Catechism of the Catholic Church 1213](#)

Congratulations to you and your family on this special occasion. This booklet contains the forms and guidelines for obtaining the Sacrament of Baptism for Infants (newborn-age 6) at St. Anastasia Parish. Please read this document fully and carefully, complete this information and provide us with all the necessary paperwork in preparation for this beautiful sacrament. All information needed is in conformity with the guidelines for Infant Baptism for the Diocese of St. Augustine.

Feel free to contact me at (904) 471-5364 or email: dre@saccfl.org if you have any questions during this preparation process.

Sincerely in Christ,
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BAPTISM PREREQUISITES

Parents:

- { } **Parish Registration** - The family needs to be registered at the Parish. If you are not registered and are called to worship here at St. Anastasia and have a desire to be part of our community, you are welcome to register with us. Once your family is registered we can continue your journey to Baptism.
- { } **Member of another Parish** - If you do not plan to become members of the parish, you need to contact your parish to complete their preparation requirements and have the Pastor send a letter confirming completion of your preparation requirements and granting permission for your child to be baptized here at the St. Anastasia.
- { } **Attend a Baptism Preparation Class** - Baptism classes are held by appointment only. To register for a baptism preparation class, contact the parish office—(904) 471-5364. If you attended a class at another parish during the last three years, please obtain a letter from that Parish and submit it to St. Anastasia.
- { } Complete the Infant Baptism Registration Form and turn it into the parish office, along with the following:
 - * A copy of your child's Birth Certificate
 - * Completed Godparent Eligibility Forms from the parish of each Godparent. This document must be signed and stamped with the parish seal. *According to the Canon Law of our Church (Cannon Law #873) there may be one godfather, one godmother OR one of each. There may not be two godmothers or two godfathers.*

Godparent Requirements:

- ⇒ At least 16 years of age
 - ⇒ A practicing Catholic who has celebrated the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist
 - ⇒ If married, the marriage is sacramentally blessed by the Catholic Church
- **If you wish to honor a non-Catholic member of your family, he or she may stand as a Christian Witness to your child's baptism.

Baptisms are scheduled after all requirements are completed and paperwork has been received.



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Office Use Only:
Baptism Date & Time Requested:

BAPTISM REGISTRATION FORM

Please print clearly. This information will be used in our sacramental register and on the Baptismal Certificate.

Child's Name: _____
Last First Full Middle

Gender of the Child: M/F _____ Date of Birth: _____

City & State of Birth: _____

Father's Name: _____
First Middle Last

Father's Religious Preference: _____

Mother's Name: _____
First Middle Maiden

Mother's Religious Preference: _____

Contact Information:

Home Mailing Address: _____

Phone Numbers: Mother _____ Father _____

Email Address: Mother _____ Father _____

Godparent Information:

Godfather's Name: _____
First Middle Last

Religious Preference: _____ Birthdate: _____

Godmother's Name: _____
First Middle Last

Religious Preference: _____ Birthdate: _____

Proxy's Name: _____
First Middle Last

Religious Preference: _____

We request the Sacrament of Baptism for our child:

Father's Signature

Mother's Signature

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY:

Baptism Instruction By: _____ Date: _____

Baptism performed by: _____ Date: _____

Print: Priest / Deacon

Priest / Deacon Signature

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

- ◆ Do I need to sign up for the Baptism preparation class?
Yes, registration is required. Classes are by appointment only.
- ◆ How many godparents must I have?
Only one godparent is required. If you have two, one must be female, the other male.
- ◆ Do both godparents have to be Catholic?
By definition, a godparent is a fully initiated member of the Catholic Church. If you wish a baptized Christian of another denomination to participate, he or she may serve as a 'Christian Witness'. Remember, only one godparent is required.
- ◆ When are baptisms scheduled?
Baptisms are scheduled after you have completed all the requirements. You will be provided a schedule that offers the Masses and times for the celebration of the Sacrament. Baptisms are not usually celebrated during Lent.
- ◆ Are there costs associated with the preparation or ceremony?
There are no fees for the preparation process or for the ceremony. It is customary to offer a gift to the priest or deacon who performs the baptism.

NOTES OR QUESTIONS:
