



CHRISTIAN WITNESS ELIGIBILITY STATEMENT

Baptism is a sacrament of initiation, which brings a person into union with Christ as a member of the Catholic Church. A Godparent represents the Catholic Church at Baptism, and then serves as a role model for the child by living a fully Christian life. There are usually two Godparents. Only one of these, however, must be a baptized, practicing Catholic. The other may be a baptized, practicing member of another Christian denomination. While this person is referred to as a "Christian Witness" on this form, his / her role in the Baptism ceremony is the same as the Catholic Godparent. Likewise, the expectation is that this Christian Witness will be a Christian role model for the child.

If you are Catholic then please fill out our Godparent Eligibility Statement

TO BE COMPLETED BY CHRISTIAN WITNESS Please check all statements which apply:

My life bears witness to my readiness for the role of Godparent.

- I am baptized and currently practicing my Christian faith and at least 16 years of age.
- I believe that Jesus Christ is my Savior and Lord.
- I am a registered member of my church.
- I regularly attend Sunday services.
- I am open to the living Word of God in sacred scripture and the church.
- I try to live my life according to Gospel values, even when they conflict with the value systems of our culture and society.
- I intend to encourage this child in the practice of the Catholic faith by word and example.
- The statements I have checked above are true.

Print Full Name: _____

Signature: _____

Home Address: _____

Name of child being baptized / please print: _____

Signature of Christian Witness

Date