

Name of Child: _____



St. Gabriel Catholic Church Infant/Child Baptism Preparation Checklist

- Complete Online Registration Form
- Receive Reborn (pick up from Parish Office)
 - One book for Parents
 - One book for Godparents
 - Formed registration instructions (free account by signing up as a parishioner www.formed.org/signup)
- Godparent Verification Form(s) must be received at least 30 days prior to the baptism
 - Provide Confirmation Certificate
 - Provide Proof of Marriage within the Catholic Church (if married)
- Preparation Review Meeting
 - Make this appointment after completion of Reborn by parents/godparents
- Schedule Baptism
 - Community Baptisms are held the 3rd Saturday of each month
 - Contact the Parish Office for Private Baptism information

Godparent Requirements

The godparents are a link between the family and the Church. In addition to representing the Christian community, godparents help parents to bring up their children in the faith by their witness and prayers. To be a godparent is a privileged service in the Church and a special ministry.

The Code of Canon Law (872-874) says that a godparent must:

- be at least 16 years of age
- have received the sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation)
- lead a life of faith in harmony with the duty he or she is undertaking
- may not be one of the parents of the person being Baptized

Only one godparent is required for Baptism and a maximum of two (one male and one female) can be recorded in the Baptismal record.