

St. Anne Parish Selecting Godparents



ST. ANNE
CATHOLIC CHURCH

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The role of a sponsor (i.e., godparent) is to present with the parents an infant for Baptism and who will help the child to lead a Christian life in harmony with the Sacrament.

Church law specifies the following requirements for those to be baptismal sponsors (Code of Canon Law, can. 872-874):

- One Catholic sponsor—male or female—is required. No more than two people may be designated as baptismal sponsors.
- Each Catholic sponsor:
 - must be at least 16 years of age,
 - must be baptized,
 - must have received the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist in the Catholic Church,
 - must be living a life in harmony with the faith:
 - ◇ attends Sunday Mass,
 - ◇ receives Holy Communion and Confession regularly,
 - ◇ supports the mission of the Church,
 - ◇ lives a life of virtue according to the moral teachings of the Church, and
 - ◇ if married, must be married validly according to the laws of the Catholic Church,
 - may not be under a canonical penalty, and
 - may not be the father or mother of the child.
- A baptized non-Catholic Christian may serve as a Christian Witness, but only if there is no other Catholic Christian available and only alongside a Catholic sponsor who meets the criteria above. A Christian Witness:
 - must be validly baptized,
 - must practice his/her Christian faith, and
 - must not be an apostate (i.e., a baptized Catholic who subsequently left the Catholic Church).

GODPARENT information:

It is acceptable to have one godparent, however if there are two godparents, they need to be of the opposite sex.

Godfather's Full Name: _____

Religion: _____ Phone: _____

Godmother's Full Name: _____

Religion: _____ Phone: _____

Each Catholic sponsor must complete the attached Statement of Fidelity form with his/her pastor and return it to the parish office prior to being admitted to the role of godparent.

St. Anne Parish Godparent Eligibility Form For Baptized Catholics



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**St. Anne Catholic Church
9091 Prairie Ridge Blvd, Pleasant Prairie, WI 53158**

***This form is to be completed and returned to St. Anne before
the date of baptism will be scheduled.***

The role of a godparent is to present with the parents an infant for Baptism and to help the child to lead a Christian life in harmony with the Sacrament.

Baptismal Information

Full Name of Godparent: _____

Godparent's Current Parish (Include City & State): _____

Child to Be Baptized: _____

Parents of Child: _____

Date of Baptism: _____

Sacramental and Canonical Information

Church law (Code of Canon Law, can. 874) establishes certain requirements for godparents. Therefore, to serve in this capacity, you must be able to affirm each of the following statements as true for you. Please answer each of the following questions with YES or NO.

I understand the nature of an oath, and I promise to respond truthfully to the following statements, before Almighty God as my Witness and Judge.

I have been baptized, and I am at least 16 years old.

I have been confirmed in the Catholic Church.

I have already received the Sacrament of the Most Holy Eucharist.

I am leading a life in harmony with the Catholic faith by:

- attending Mass each Sunday and Holy Day of Obligation,
- going to Confession and receiving Holy Communion at least once a year,
- supporting the mission of the Church with my time, talent, and treasure, and
- observing the days of fasting and abstinence from meat.

I am living in conformity with the Marriage laws of the Church:

- If single, I am chaste (i.e., not cohabiting or simulating married life).
- If married, my marriage took place in the Catholic Church, and I am faithful to my spouse.

Oath and Statement of Intention

I solemnly swear to the truthfulness of my answers. I intend to assist the child's parents in their duty as Christian parents in raising and educating the child in the practice of the Catholic faith.



Signature of Godparent

Date

Signature of Godparent's Pastor