



St. Michael the Archangel Church Qualifications for Baptism Godparents

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(The child needs a minimum of one Godparent. If the child has two Godparents, one must be male and one female.)

A Catholic Godparent must:

- Have received the Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist. In the case of a proxy sponsorship, the Proxy should also complete a "Baptism Godparent Form" from his/her parish.
- Be a practicing Catholic in good standing with the Roman Catholic Church. He/she must faithfully participate in Mass on Sundays / Holy Days and give witness to their faith in Christ by regularly receiving Him in Holy Communion. He/she will help the child be faithful to the Catholic faith.
- Be of canonical age (16 years or older).
- If married, he/she is validly married according to the laws of the Catholic Church.
- If single, he/she is living a Christian life in accordance with the laws of God and the Catholic Church.

A Christian Witness is one who is baptized in another Christian Church (i.e., Baptist, Episcopalian, Evangelical, Lutheran, Methodist, and Presbyterian) and:

- Registered and be an active member of his/her Church.
- Has received the Sacrament of Baptism in his/her Christian religion.
- Understands and accepts the responsibility which he/she undertakes as a Christian Witness.

