



Cathedral Basilica of Our Lady of Peace

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Baptismal Guidelines

Please follow the following guidelines as closely as possible. Should you have any questions, you may call the Parish Office at 808-585-3314, Monday through Friday from 8:00am to 4:00pm (excluding holidays).

1. At least one parent of a child to be baptized here must be a practicing (active) registered parishioner of Cathedral Basilica of Our Lady of Peace.
2. Baptismal registration form, State birth certificate and godparent forms (see below) **must be turned in to the parish office before the baptism will be schedule.**
3. **Godparents**
 - a. We are allowed to record only two Godparents with the Diocese. All Godparents must be practicing (active) Catholics at least 16 years of age with all Sacraments (Baptism, 1st Communion and Confirmation. If married they must have received this rite within the Roman Catholic Church). All others will be noted as “Christian Witnesses.” *“Christian Witnesses” will only be noted on the back of the original Baptismal Certificate. These names will not be recorded in any Church records. Be sure to keep the original certificate safe if you need a record of these names.*
 - b. Godparents must provide the Church with copies of their Confirmation certificates and Marriage certificate from a Roman Catholic Church (if married). Please ask your Godparents to begin obtaining these certificates (if they or their parents do not have the originals) by calling or writing the Church where they received these sacraments or they may call their Church of Baptism. The Church of Baptism should have information on all other Sacraments they have received.
 - c. If the Godparents are unable to obtain copies of their certificates, you may call the parish office to discuss. Do not call the Parish office until all attempts to obtain these documents are made.
 - d. Godparent/Sponsor forms must be filled out and witnessed by the Godparent’s parish priest or delegate.
4. The baptismal preparation class is mandatory for both parents and Godparents. If anyone has recently attended the baptism class at the Cathedral Basilica of Our Lady of Peace, special permission to be excused from the class may be granted by the interviewing priest.
5. Baptismal Preparation classes are usually scheduled prior to baptism date. Call the parish office.
6. The suggested donation for Baptism is \$100.00. Godparents may also give any donation. Also, if the family wishes to give a gift to the minister, there is no specified amount for it. Mahalo for your generosity.