

Immaculate Conception

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BAPTISM INFORMATION FORM

Congratulations on the great gift of new life! Children are a blessing from God and baptism is how Christians are expected to be reborn again so that they may receive new life in the Spirit (cf. John 3).

Before we set the date of baptism for your child, please have the following completed:

- ❖ Baptism seminar completed by parents and godparents (seminar instructor sign, date, and parish name and location):

Parents: _____

Godparents: _____

- ❖ Godparent(s) information turned into church office including signed note from pastor affirming they meet requirements:
 - According to Church law one godparent is required for the child to be baptized.
 - It is customary to have one godmother and one godfather.
 - You may *not* have 2 godmothers or godfathers, but only one of each.
 - Godparents must be *practicing* Catholics who go to Mass on Sundays, have received the sacrament of confirmation, and be in full communion with the Church (e.g. cannot be married outside of the Church)
 - Any other person will not be considered a godparent. If there is at least one licit godparent then another baptized Christian (non-Catholic) of good character may be considered to be a witness.
- ❖ If necessary a copy of the child's birth certificate (if parents aren't married).
- ❖ Please complete the Family Information form on the back.

Once these are complete you are free to schedule the baptism date with the parish. Please remember to have your child dressed in white for the baptism and be prepared to arrive and start the baptism promptly at the scheduled time.

Date and time of baptism: _____

