

Holy Trinity Parish

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Congratulations! You have decided to baptize your child/children.

To inquire about Baptism, call 303-428-3594 x 14 or e-mail reassistant@htcatholic.org

STEPS TOWARD BAPTISM

1. **Parents:** Register yourselves and the Godparents to a pre-baptismal class.
2. Find a babysitter so you can attend the classes. **Unfortunately, we do not provide babysitting and children cannot come to the classes.**
When you speak with the baptism coordinator, he/she will give you the dates of the classes and the baptism dates available.

Church requirements for **the parents:**

- Need to either reside within the boundaries of Holy Trinity Parish or be a registered member of our parish.
- If you attend another parish or reside within the boundaries of another parish, you will request a letter from the Pastor of that Parish, granting permission for your child to be baptized at Holy Trinity.
- As the Church prescribes, to be attending Mass every Sunday and Holy Days of obligation.
- Present a copy of the child's original birth certificate.
- Complete the Baptism Registration form.
- Choose one godparent, but no more than two. If two, they need to be one man and one woman. **Parents cannot** be the Godparents of their children.
- Attend the Baptism Preparation classes at least one month **before** the date of Baptism.

Church Requirements for **Godparents:**

- The Godparent is **the representative of the Catholic Church in the life of your child.** Therefore, it is **essential** that the Godparents be practicing Catholics, so they can be a **great example** of how to live the Catholic faith for your child.
- Be at least 16 years of age and **Confirmed.**
- If the Godparents are married, they must be married in the Catholic Church.
- If single, they need to be living a chaste life, (not living with a partner or significant other).
- Attend the preparation classes at least one month prior to the date of Baptism.
- Fill out and sign a "Certificate of Eligibility" provided by Holy Trinity, and have the **Pastor of the Parish that they attend to certify it.**
- Not be the parent of the child to be baptized.

If the parents or Godparents attend classes at a different parish, they will need to present a proof or a letter from that parish, certifying their attendance. (Classes expire in 2 years).