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ST. ANN-ST. EDWARD

Dear Parents:

We are delighted you are choosing to have your child baptized and are making the commitment to educate and mentor your child in the Catholic faith. We will do all we can to assist you. The following information is important for our church records and is confidential. We ask that you complete these forms as fully as possible, and if you have any questions, please ask. Once these forms are completed, we will contact you to set up an appointment with our Priest.

Parents please fill out both sides of this form.

Godparents will each need to fill out one of the attached godparent eligibility forms.

Fax or mail completed forms to the parish office.

Child's Name _____

Home Address _____

City _____ Zip _____

Date of Birth: _____

Place of Birth: _____

The date you wish your child to be baptized: _____

Phone Number Home/Mobile _____ Work: _____

Father's Full Name _____

Mother's Full Name _____

Mother's Maiden Name _____

Religion of Father _____

Religion of Mother _____

Are you married? Yes ___ No ___

By a Catholic Deacon or Priest? Yes ___ No ___

Are you a registered member of St. Ann/St. Edward? Yes ___ No ___

Are you registered at another parish? Yes ___ No ___

If yes, name of Parish and Address

Do you actively participate in the Parish? Yes ___ No ___

Do you use offering envelopes? Yes ___ No ___

Have you been to a Baptismal class before? Yes ___ No ___

Was class led by a Catholic Deacon or Priest? Yes ___ No ___

Was your child previously Baptized privately? Yes ___ No ___

Is your child adopted? Yes ___ No ___

Baptism Online Course: St. Ann/St. Edward Parish requires parents to complete the Reborn Series on Baptism prior to the baptism of your first child. For access to this free 3-episode series, go to <https://signup.formed.org/>, enter zip code 49601, select All Saints, enter your name and your email address, then type Reborn in the search function.

Regarding Godparents

Number of Godparents: Only one male and one female sponsor is to be used.
Godparents' Qualifications: The sponsor must not only have the intention of being a sponsor but also meet proper qualifications. The sponsor must have completed his/her sixteenth year unless the Bishop has established another age for sponsorship, or the pastor or minister judges that a just cause warrants an exception to the rule. The sponsor must be a Catholic who has received the sacraments of Holy Eucharist and Confirmation, and "leads a life in harmony with the faith and the role to be undertaken." (Cf. Code of Canon Law, No. 874.1).

A Catholic who does not practice the faith by regularly attending Mass or who is in an invalid marriage is disqualified from being a godparent. Moreover, if a person is Catholic, but antagonistic to the faith, he or she would also be disqualified. It's been our experience that a person who is not striving to fulfill his/her own obligations of baptism and confirmation is unlikely to fulfill the responsibilities of helping another to do so.

Godfather's full name: _____

Religion: _____

Godmother's full name: _____

Religion: _____

Please note: Godparents must obtain verification from their Pastor confirming their membership and participation in Parish life. (Forms to be completed by each godparent are attached.)

Godparent by Proxy: If the godparent cannot be present in person he or she may appoint another person to serve as a proxy, but the appointment must be made in such a way that there is certainty as to the person who takes the responsibility as godparent. Ordinarily the appointment of the proxy should be made by the godparent in writing.

If you have not had your marriage witnessed by a Priest or Deacon, you are obliged to talk this matter over with our Pastor before the baptism. Please call for an appointment as soon as possible.

Statement of Intent

As parents, it is our wish and our intention to live up to our religious beliefs as Catholic Christian parents.

We will share in the life of St. Ann/St. Edward Church and create an atmosphere that will encourage our family to appreciate and love their faith.

We knowingly make a mature decision to have our child baptized and will live our faith fully and share it with our family.

Father's Signature: _____

Date: _____

Mother's Signature: _____

Date: _____

Godparent Eligibility Form

Print full name of person to be baptized: _____

Printed Name of Godparent: _____

Telephone: () _____

Address: _____

City/State: _____ ZIP: _____

From the Code of Canon Law: Sponsors for the Sacrament of Baptism and/or Confirmation must be Catholics who have been confirmed and have received the Sacrament of Eucharist. They must be free from canonical penalty and must lead a life in harmony with the faith in keeping with the function to be undertaken. (Canons # 874 & 893)

Please read and check the following affirmations:

I am at least 16 years of age. Yes ___ No ___

I have celebrated the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. Yes ___ No ___

If married, my marriage was celebrated in the Catholic Church. Yes ___ No ___

I participate in Sunday Mass every week and on Holy Days. Yes ___ No ___

I accept the teachings of the Catholic Church. Yes ___ No ___

I understand the responsibility I am undertaking by agreeing to guide and nurture the above mentioned person in the Catholic faith and have both the desire and intention to fulfill it faithfully.

I am a parishioner of _____ Parish, located at: _____
(name of Parish) (address of Parish)

since _____.

I affirm that I meet all the necessary requirements to act as a sponsor/godparent.

Signature of Sponsor/Godparent: _____ Date: _____

Print name of Sponsor/Godparent: _____ Date: _____

NOTE: Sponsor/Godparent: Send this form to your parish for affirmation by your priest, a deacon, or a lay ecclesial minister designated by the pastor. For use by the parish of the sponsor:

To the best of my knowledge this person is able to fulfill the responsibilities involved in sponsoring the Catholic initiation of another.

Yes ___ No ___ Other _____

(Please comment on reverse side.)

Signature: _____

Parish: _____

Date: _____