

*The
Sacrament
of
Baptism
at
St. Vincent de Paul
Catholic Church*

*9500 Neenah Avenue
Austin, Texas 78717
255-1389
246-2373 fax*

For Office Use Only: Clergy Interview Conducted By _____ Baptism Performed By _____
 _____ Certificate _____ Computer _____ Sacrament Record # _____

Registration for the Sacrament of Baptism

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Date of Baptism: ____/____/____ Time: _____

**Baptisms are held: 1st weekend of the month during Mass (limit 2 per Mass)
 AND on the 3rd Sunday of the month at 1:00 pm. Baptisms are not held during Lent.
 Please call the Parish Office to confirm the date & time you wish to schedule. (255-1389)**

To Be Baptized:

First:	Middle:	Last:
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Birth Information:

Date: ____/____/____	City:	State:	Gender:
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Parents

Father: Religion: _____

First:	Middle:	Last:
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Sacraments Received: _____ Baptism _____ Eucharist (Communion) _____ Confirmation

Mother: Religion: _____

First:	Middle:	Maiden:	Last:
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Sacraments Received: _____ Baptism _____ Eucharist (Communion) _____ Confirmation

Are parents married? Yes No
 If Yes, Married By: _____ Catholic Priest _____ Catholic Deacon _____ Other: _____

Address:	City/State:	Zip:
Home Phone:	Father's Work/Cell:	Mother's Work/Cell:

Godparent(s)

Godfather (Sponsor): Religion: _____ Parish Name/City: _____

First:	Middle:	Last:
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Sacraments Received: _____ Baptism _____ Eucharist (Communion) _____ Confirmation
 If Married, Married By: _____ Catholic Priest _____ Catholic Deacon _____ Other: _____

Godmother (Sponsor): Religion: _____ Parish Name/City: _____

First:	Middle:	Last:
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Sacraments Received: _____ Baptism _____ Eucharist (Communion) _____ Confirmation
 If Married, Married By: _____ Catholic Priest _____ Catholic Deacon _____ Other: _____

Record of Baptism Preparation Classes

Class Time: 7:30 pm

Class #1 1st Thursday of the month: How To Raise Children in the Catholic Faith
Class #2 3rd Thursday of the Month: Explanation of the Rite of Baptism

Please call the Parish Office to RSVP for Classes (255-1389)

	Date of Class #1	Date of Class #2	Other
Father	____/____/____	____/____/____	
Mother	____/____/____	____/____/____	
Godfather	____/____/____	____/____/____	
Godmother	____/____/____	____/____/____	

A letter from the Godparent(s) Parish is required stating that they are qualified to serve as Godparent(s). Letter may be mailed or faxed and should be received by St. Vincent de Paul 10 days prior to date of Baptism.

Is either Godparent being represented by Proxy? _____ Yes _____ No

If Yes:

Proxy for Godfather:		Letter Required from Home Parish
Proxy for Godmother:		Letter Required from Home Parish

Parent Signatures required to the following:

We have read the information and completed the form with regards to Baptism at St., Vincent de Paul Catholic Church. We meet the basic requirements, including being formally registered members of the parish, and now wish to precede with the preparation of our child's Baptism. We understand that Baptism is a commitment to walk with our child in his or her faith journey. Our won faith makes is ready to commit to this journey with our child.

Signature of Father:		Date: ____/____/____
Signature of Mother:		Date: ____/____/____

Copy of Birth Certificate must be attached.

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Choosing A Godparent (Sponsor)

(Canon Law #874)

- Only ONE Godparent is required.
- If TWO are chosen, they should be one of each gender. One male and one female.
- Godparent(s) must be at least 16 years of age.
- Godparent(s) must be: Baptized
Received the Sacrament of Eucharist
Received the Sacrament of Confirmation
Practicing Catholic
And if married, married in the Catholic Church by Priest or Deacon
- The Godparent(s) should be a person(s) who will have some part in child's faith development.
- It is NOT appropriate to ask non-practicing Catholics to be Godparents because they should be witnesses to the Living Faith.
- Godparent(s) should NOT be the Mother, Father, Grandmother or Grandfather of the one being Baptized.
- A baptized person who belongs to a non-Catholic ecclesial community is not to participate except together with a Catholic sponsor and then only be a witness of the Baptism.
- Godparent(s) must complete & return the BAPTISM GODPARENT COVENANT form (*one per person*).

Baptism Preparation Requirements

- Contact a Priest or Deacon to schedule an interview appointment as soon as you have an interest in baptism (preferably before the birth of your child).
- During this interview the Priest or Deacon will cover several topics including the attached baptism registration form and scheduling of baptism date and time.
- Parents are required to attend two classes. These are held each month on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays at 7:30 pm in the Dining Room. (*unless a conflict with the Church Calendar occurs – then class date or location may be moved*) Please RSVP for each class by calling the Parish Office (255-1389).
- Both Classes must be attended, but not necessarily in the same month.
- Classes Topics are: 1st Thursday: How To Raise Children in the Catholic Faith
 3rd Thursday: Explanation of the Rite of Baptism
- Parents who have attended Baptism Preparation within the last two years may be excused from attending classes by the Priest or Deacon.
- Godparent(s) are encouraged to attend a preparation class in their home parish or at St. Vincent de Paul.
- Godparent(s) must fill out the Baptism Godparent Covenant form.
- All necessary paperwork is due in the Parish Office 10 days prior to date of baptism.