



THE PROTO-CATHEDRAL OF ST. JAMES THE GREATER

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INFANT BAPTISM REGISTRATION FORM

Eligibility Requirements:

- Only children who are under 7 years old qualify for infant baptism, under the Code of Canon Law.
- Only a legal guardian of a child may request baptism for their child; grandparents, other relatives, and friends who do not have legal custody of the child should have the legal guardian of the child contact the parish for baptism. You can even start your baptism request before your child is born!
- The parents/legal guardians of the child should be registered parishioners of the Proto-Cathedral and actively practicing their faith. During the baptism, they will promise before God to do their best to raise the child in the faith. Therefore, at least one parent/legal guardian must be a practicing Catholic. If you attend another parish, you must seek permission from that pastor in order to have your child baptized here at the Proto-Cathedral. The pastor of the Proto-Cathedral reserves the right to delay baptism if the parent/guardian lacks proper intent.
- Parents/Legal Guardians and Godparents must attend a baptism class; this requirement may be waved at the discretion of the pastor.
- Each child to be baptized needs at least one Godparent. Godparents are Catholics who are at least 16 years old and fully initiated (baptism, confirmation, eucharist) and live a life in keeping with the faith.

Child's Full Name: _____

If choosing a baptismal name for your child, please include it in parenthesis after the full legal name

Birthdate: _____ City of Birth: _____

Ethnicity: _____ Sex: M F Was the child adopted? Y N
(for statistical purposes only)

Home Address: _____

Phone Number(s): _____ Email: _____

Father's Name: _____ Religion: Roman Catholic Other: _____

Mother's Name: _____ Religion: Roman Catholic Other: _____

Mother's Maiden Name: _____

Are the mother and father married? Y N In the Catholic Church? Y N

Are you registered parishioners of the Proto-Cathedral? Y N If not, where? _____

(circle one) Godfather / Christian Witness Name: _____

(circle one) Godmother / Christian Witness Name: _____

If using a proxy, list their name(s): _____

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Name of Child: _____

Scheduled date/time of baptism: _____

Actual date/time/place of baptism:

Same as above Other: _____

Celebrant: Fr. Harris Other: _____

Parents/Guardians Parishioners? Y N If no, permission received? Y N

Documents Gathered:

Baptism Registration Form

Birth Certificate

Godparent Form(s)

Baptism Class Requirement Fulfilled

(If needed) Letter of Permission from Home Pastor

Checklist:

Baptismal Certificate generated

Baptismal record entered into register

Baptismal record entered into the computer

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