

What is Required to Present a Child for Baptism

(a) One parent must be a baptized Roman (Latin) Catholic and must provide proof of Catholic baptism. If the Catholic parent does not have a record of baptism the parent should contact their church of baptism and request one. Please allow sufficient time for this to be prepared.

(b) Parents seeking baptism at St. Paul the Apostle must be registered and practicing members of our parish community and must reside within our parish boundaries. Parish registration is done via our office, and further information is available under *General Information* of our website.

(c) If the parents reside outside of the diocesan boundaries assigned to St. Paul the Apostle, they **MUST** secure a Pastoral Letter of Permission from the parish in which they reside, and this must be sent in along with the baptism registration. Preference for baptism dates will be given to families practicing and living within the boundaries.

(d) Parents must attend the parish-based Baptism Preparation meetings prior to baptism. Those who have had older children baptised are still required to attend the preparation meeting.

(e) Submitted baptism registration forms must be completed in **FULL**. Incomplete forms will be delayed until all required information is provided. No baptism date will be held until a fully completed registration has been processed.