



St. Anthony's Catholic Church
1660 Elm St.
Forest Grove, OR 97116
503.357.2989, 503.357.2217 (Fax)
www.stanthonysforestgrove.org

Dear Parent(s):

The community of St. Anthony's Parish rejoices with you. We are writing to you in response to your request for information concerning the Baptism of your child. We will be pleased to work with you, to support you and to keep you in our prayers as you prepare for this momentous occasion and happy celebration.

Baptism is the first of three Sacraments leading to full initiation into the Church. It makes one a member of the Body of Christ. Through this Sacrament, the parish community welcomes its newest members and begins the faith journey with them toward their full initiation. It is by celebrating Confirmation and Eucharist that your child will become fully initiated and can then live the complete committed life of a Catholic Christian.

Such a life requires a continuous growth in faith. The beginning of your child's faith formation and its continued growth is dependent heavily, if not entirely, upon your own faith and the extent to which you live it. To help you reflect upon your own faith, to help you prepare well for the celebration of your child's Baptism, and to help you in your ongoing journey of faith with your child, the parish offers 2 catechetical sessions prior to the celebration of the Sacrament. Unless there is a special reason, all baptisms are performed in mass on the first weekend of the month. Classes need to have been taken in the month(s) prior to the baptism.

To begin the process, please complete the enclosed registration form and return it to the parish office as soon as possible. Also enclosed is a letter addressed to the prospective godparent(s) and a form for them to complete. Their role begins with the commitment to help you and continues hopefully until your child is confirmed as a teen.

If you have any questions or concerns, please call Lani Vandehey, pastoral associate, at 503-357-8147.

We hope that this time of preparation for the celebration of your child's Baptism will provide an opportunity for you to deepen your own faith and love of the Lord so that as the years go by, you will help your child do the same.

Sincerely,

Rev. William Holtzinger
Pastor



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APPLICATION FOR BAPTISM

Attended Baptism Classes: ___ No ___ Yes **When:** _____
Where: _____

Name of Child:

First	Middle	Last
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Address _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Place of Birth: _____

Date of Baptism: _____ **Mass time:** _____

Father's Name _____

Mother's First Name: _____ **Maiden Name** _____

Godfather's Name: _____ **Religion** _____

Godmother's Name: _____ **Religion** _____



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SPONSOR INFORMATION

SPONSOR # 1

Name _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____

Sponsor's
Baptism:

Date

Church Name

City

Sate

Sponsor's

Confirmation:

Date

Church Name

City

State

SPONSOR # 2

Name _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____

Sponsor's
Baptism:

Date

Church Name

City

Sate

Sponsor's

Confirmation:

Date

Church Name

City

State

(To be filled out by the participant or parent of infant)

Explain why you choose this person as your sponsor: _____



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TO BE FILLED OUT FOR SPONSOR #1:

NAME OF PERSON TO BE BAPTIZED: _____

As a registered and participating member of St. Anthony's Catholic Church
Or of: _____ Catholic Church

I solemnly affirm that:

I have received the three sacraments of Initiation: Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist.

I participate in the Mass on Sundays and Holy Days and regularly receive the Sacraments of Holy Communion and Reconciliation

I actively strive to live out my commitment to Christ and to the community life of the Church by my loving response to those with whom I come in contact daily.

I am living my Christian vocation as a single person or I have been validly married in the Catholic Church.

I realize that I assume a great responsibility before God and the Church in becoming a sponsor. I will give support to the person I am sponsoring by my prayers and by the Christian example of my daily life. I will help my candidate live their faith in the Catholic Church.

**Sponsor's
Signature:** _____

Print: _____

Date: _____

Parish Witness _____

Date: _____



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TO BE FILLED OUT FOR SPONSOR #2:

NAME OF PERSON TO BE BAPTIZED: _____

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I solemnly affirm that:

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**Sponsor's
Signature:** _____

Print: _____

Date: _____

Parish Witness _____

Date: _____