Step One

MEETING WITH FR. ALBERT OR FR. ANDREW

(Please register with Andrell)

Location

Date / Time:

PARENT PREPARATION CLASSES 2021

Gather with other parents and share faith. This ninety minute session looks at the meaning of Baptism. These sessions are on Sunday evenings beginning at 7:00 pm, ending at 8:30 pm, and are held in person or via Zoom. Please call the Holtsnider Pastoral Center office for a reservation. Our hope is that you feel welcomed and are able to share with others the joy of preparing for your child's Baptism.

PARENT BAPTISMAL INFORMATION CLASS

Please register in the Holtsnider Pastoral Center

Location _____

Date : Sunday,

at 7:00 pm

Step Two

PARENT & GODPARENT PREPARATION CLASSES

2021

Please register in the Holtsnider Pastoral Center

Sessions begin promptly at 7:15 pm in the Church.

January 12 Tuesday February 9 Tuesday March 9 Tuesday April 13 Tuesday May 11 Tuesday June 8 **Tuesday** July 13 Tuesday August 3 Tuesday September 14 Tuesday **Tuesday** October 12 November 9 Tuesday December 14 **Tuesday**

PARENT & GODPARENT CLASS

Date ____

In Person in the Church

Step Three

SUNDAY DATES FOR INFANT BAPTISMS

April 18, 25

May 16, 23

June 13, 27

July 11, 18, 25

August 8, 15, 22

September 19

October 3, 10, 17, 24

November 21, 28

December 12

Baptisms begin promptly 2:00 pm in the Church. There are no limitations to the number of attendees.

I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit

BAPTIZING

YOUR BABY IN

2021

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HOLY FAMILY is a welcoming Catholic Eucharistic community of disciples of Jesus Christ connecting faith with life and reaching out to those in need.

BAPTISMAL DATE

Date .

Baptisms begin promptly at 2:00 pm in the Church. Please arrive 15 minutes prior to the Baptism.

"Let the children come to me and do not hinder them. It is to just such as these that the kingdom of God belongs." (Mark 10:14)

Congratulations and blessings on the birth of your child. Baptism is the beginning of the journey of faith for your child. No one has more influence on a child's growing sense of God and the Catholic faith community than the child's parents. At Baptism, the faith is proclaimed for infants by



Anyone who does not welcome the kingdom of God like a little child

their parents and godparents who represent the Church.

Through Baptism, your child becomes part of our faith community in the Catholic church. Through your teaching example, your child will will never enter it. grow to become a follower of Christ and an

active member of the church. This is why we have a special program to prepare parents and godparents and to help them realize the importance of this responsibility.

Age of Infant Baptism

Traditionally parents have their children baptized within a reasonable period after birth. Arrangements for baptism could be made before birth. Once children have reached the age of reason, about seven, they would enter the Christian Initiation for Children, a two year journey of faith to prepare for the Sacraments of Initiation, including Baptism.

A celebration for those baptized since 1/12/20 will be held on October 3rd during all Masses that weekend.

Baptism Information Session

These sessions are on Sunday evenings beginning at 7:00 pm ending at 8:30 pm, and are held in parishioner's homes, the Holtsnider Pastoral Center or via Zoom. Please call the Pastoral Center office for a reservation.

Requirements for Parents:

At least one parent must be a Catholic.

Step One: Meet with Fr. Albert or Fr. Andrew. Bring the Baptismal Registration Form (completed up to the "Baptismal Classes" section) and a copy of the child's birth certificate.

Attend the Sunday Baptism Information Class. Arrangements for these sessions are handled by the Holtsnider Pastoral Center receptionist.

Step Two: Attend the Baptism Sacramental Preparation Class in the Church, with the child's godparents.

Step Three: Sign up for a baptismal date with the Holtsnider Pastoral Center receptionist.

Note: Once parents have attended both sessions, the godparents have attended the Preparation Class and all the paperwork has been secured by the receptionist at the Holtsnider Pastoral Center, then the Baptismal date can be selected.

Godparents

Being a godparent is a sacred vocation – a calling, an appeal to live something out in your life. Parents are calling godparents to be something special for their child: to set an example, help teach their child about the Catholic faith, have a lifelong relationship of prayer, faith sharing and love. Before asking someone to be your child's godparent take some time to pray and reflect on their ability to be a shining example of a Catholic Christian.

Requirements for Godparents:

- Godparents must be at least 16 years old, and Catholics, who participate in Sunday Mass with a Roman Catholic faith community, and willing to accept the responsibility of supporting their godchild in faith. If married, they must be married in the Church.
- The godparents need to attend the Baptism Preparation Session, which we offer here at Holy Family (or a Baptism class in their own parish).
- One godparent is all that is required (A godmother or godfather). The second person can be a godparent as described above or a "Christian Witness (a baptized member of another Christian church). Non-Christians cannot be godparents or Christian sponsors.

Summary of Steps for having your child baptized:

Prior to signing up for any Baptism Classes, parents, please contact Andrell Panconi, at (626) 403-6107 or email apanconi@holyfamily.org to set up a meeting with Fr. Albert or Fr. Andrew. Please complete the Baptism Registration Form up to the "Baptismal Classes" section. E-mail a copy to reception@holyfamily.org and bring a hardcopy and a copy of the child's birth cer-

- tificate to your meeting with the Call or email receppriest.. tion@holyfamily.org at the Holtsnider Pastoral Center to sign up for the Baptism Information Class and Sacramental Preparation Class.
- 1. After the Baptism Information class, you and the godparent(s) will need to attend a Sacramental Preparation class which is usually held on the second Tuesday of the month at 7:00 pm in the Church.
- 2. Once you have attended both sessions, you may sign up for your child's Baptism date.
- 3. The dates for Baptism are on the other side of this sheet. Baptisms, except in emergencies, are not celebrated during Lent.
- 4. A candle is provided for each child being baptized. If the family/godparents are providing a candle or other items to be used in the service, please let the presider know before the ceremony begins.

Questions:

Please contact the Holtsnider Pastoral Center if you have general questions relating to the Baptism of your child. You can also ask questions during your meeting with Frs. Albert or Andrew.

There is no charge to become a member of God's family. It is customary for families to offer a gift to the parish in thanksgiving for their child's Baptism. \$100.00 is a suggested offering. Thank-you for your generosity. Please bring the donation to the Holtsnider Pastoral Center some time prior to the Baptism.

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