



Dear Parents,

Baptism is the first step of initiation into the Catholic Church and is also the first step of initiation into the local Parish. It celebrates the entry of your child into the Epiphany of the Lord parish where they will be supported and nourished in their faith development as an active member of the church. Epiphany of the Lord Parish aims to be a community of hope, providing spiritual nourishment to all people.

Now that you have made a choice for your child to be baptized, we would like to ensure that you know what this choice involves. Once you have enrolled your child by completing and submitting the Registration forms, you then need to complete the following three steps:

1. Baptismal Preparation Meeting – This meeting aims to provide parents with information about the Sacrament of Baptism and about the practicalities of the baptism itself.
2. Sponsor options:
 - a. Submit two Sponsor certificates for active, confirmed Catholics, male and female, in good standing, at least 16 years old who seek to be a sponsor.
 - b. Submit one Sponsor certificate for an active, confirmed Catholic, male or female, in good standing, at least 16 years old who seeks to be a sponsor.
 - c. Or submit one Sponsor certificate, and one Christian Witness certificate for a baptized, active Christian of another denomination, one male and one female.
3. Schedule a date and time for baptism
This date will be confirmed with you once the minister has been scheduled.

The forms can be returned to: the parish office at St. Thomas Aquinas campus; by mail, to Shellee Murcko, Epiphany of the Lord Parish, 729 White St. Toledo, OH 43605; or in an envelope placed in the collection plate at any of our weekend Masses.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to call Shellee Murcko at our Parish Office at 419-698-1519, and she will be happy to assist you. May the Lord continue to bless you and guide you in this special step that you have taken in your life.

Peace and blessings upon your family,

Shellee Murcko
Liturgy Coordinator



Baptism Registration Form

Child's Full Name _____

Address _____

Telephone Numbers: Home _____ Cell _____

Email _____

Child's Date of Birth _____ M ___ F ___

Hospital, City & State of Birth _____

Father's Complete Name _____

Place of Birth _____ Religion of Father _____

Mother's Complete Maiden Name _____

Place of Birth _____ Religion of Mother _____

All attending Grandparents' Names

Sponsor's Complete Name _____

Religion _____

Sacraments of Baptism/Confirmation/Eucharist _____ Yes No

At which parish? _____ City/State _____

Sponsor's Complete Name (or Christian Witness) _____

Religion _____

Sacraments of Baptism/Confirmation/Eucharist _____ Yes No

At which parish? _____ City/State _____

Is either of Sponsors represented by Proxy? Yes No

Name(s) of Proxy _____



7. Are there other children in the family? If so please list name and age:

8. Do you attend Mass?

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| Father: | Weekly | Mostly | Occasionally | Seldom | Never |
| Mother: | Weekly | Mostly | Occasionally | Seldom | Never |

9. Do you promise to raise your child(ren) Catholic by sending them to Catholic School or Religious Education classes? Yes _____ No _____

If no, please explain _____

10. How are you planning to instill a sense of lived faith in your child? _____

11. Can the parish help you or your family in any way? Yes _____ No _____

If yes, how can we help? _____

12. Have you attended a Baptism Preparation Class in the past four years? Yes _____ No _____

