

Church of St. Michael
Baptism Policy and Procedures
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Here at the Church of St. Michael we baptize twice a month, usually on the first and third Sunday, following the 10:30 a.m. Mass. Parents requesting the Sacrament of Baptism for their children should be registered members of this parish and are required to attend a Baptism Class prior to the Baptism.

Baptism I Program

A Baptism I class is required for parents who want to have their first child baptized or for anyone who has not already completed a basic preparation program at another parish. Baptism I classes are offered on the fourth Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. Godparents are also welcome to attend.

Baptism II Program

Baptism II is a distinct program for parents who have completed the Baptism I program at St. Michael or a basic preparation program at any parish and now wish to have another child baptized. The main purpose of this second program is to discuss with parents some practical advice about sharing their Catholic faith with very young children. The class will be offered once a month on a Wednesday evening at 6:30 p.m. Godparents are also welcome to attend.

Please call the Parish Office at 952-447-2491, to register for a Baptism Class and to get a current schedule of baptism dates.

When selecting Godparents for your child...

The one to be baptized is to be given a sponsor or godparents who together with the parents will help the baptized child to lead a Christian life in harmony with Baptism.

Church Law requires the following:

- One godparent is male and one is female
- A godparent must be at least 16 years of age and confirmed in the Catholic Faith
- A baptized person who belongs to a non-Catholic church community may be admitted as a witness to Baptism, together with a Catholic sponsor.