

# St Anthony's Parish

## Baptism Prep Application for Godparents

updated August 2019

Date of class \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE COMPLETE **ENTIRE** FORM **LEGIBLY** WITH ALL INFORMATION PLEASE WRITE IN BLOCK LETTERS

### Godparent

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell#: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Religion: \_\_\_\_\_ Name of your parish: \_\_\_\_\_

The Catholic Church has the following requirements for Godparents:

One sponsor, male or female, is sufficient; but there may be two, one of each [gender] (c.873).

The sponsor must not be either the father or the mother of the one to be baptized (c.874 §1,5).

The sponsor must have received the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist, be a practicing Catholic, and be at least 16 years of age (c.874).

The last part explains that the sponsor must have received the 3 sacraments of initiation, Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist in the Catholic Church. To be a practicing Catholic means that you attend Sunday mass weekly and that you aren't doing anything against what the church teaches. An example; if you are married you are married in the Catholic Church. If you are single you are living a celibate lifestyle.

Godparents are asked to be a positive influence in their Godchild's faith life. Some ways are to support the child's parents in their faith journey, encourage the child to be attentive at mass, discuss the homily together, celebrate all the church sacraments, remember your godchild's baptism day with a call or a card, find ways to grow in your own faith, help your Godchild to find good Catholic sources when they have questions etc.

Please sign that you have the *time and the requirements* to be a good Godparent: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Child to be baptized \_\_\_\_\_ Birth date: \_\_\_\_\_