



Saint Patrick's Church

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Baptism Preparation Process

*Jesus answered, "Amen, amen, I say to you,
no one can enter the kingdom of God
without being born of water and Spirit."*

– John 3:5, NAB

1. Initial Inquiry.

- a. For reference, print this Baptism Preparation Process Sheet.
- b. For general information and the forms that you will be using, refer to our website page on the [Sacrament of Baptism](#).
- c. Please watch the "Reborn" Series on [Formed.org](#). To access the series, visit the website and create a personal account using the parish code: 3KRJJK (capitalized). Download the study guide and print. After watching the videos, go over the reflection questions – jot down your responses.
- d. Download the forms: [Profession of Faith](#), and the [Parents' Discernment on Readiness](#). Read them carefully to know what you are seeking to undertake. If needed, take this time to rediscover or deepen your understanding of the faith of Jesus and His Church – this is the faith that you will share with your child. Complete the forms.
- e. If not yet done, [register with the parish](#).
- f. Before choosing the godparents, please review the prerequisites: [Godparent form](#) and [Godparent's Discernment on Readiness](#).
 - i. Parents, your choice of faithfully practicing Catholic godparent/s for your child is one of the best gifts you could ever give your child.
 - ii. Share with the prospective godparents the link and parish code, 3KRJJK, to [Formed.org](#), so they can watch the Reborn Series.
 - iii. Share the documents with the prospective godparents. After completing the forms,
 1. if they belong to another parish, they need to contact and meet with their pastors for his signature and for the parish seal. The signed and sealed forms must be mailed to Saint Patrick's Church, Attention to Father Edison Tayag.
 2. if they are parishioners of Saint Patrick's, have them email Fr. Edison at fr.edison.tayag@dor.org to schedule a meeting with him.
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2. **Parents' Initial Meeting with Father Edison.**
 - a. Review the process.
 - b. Remember to bring the completed forms with you, including the printed Reborn Study Guide with your responses.

3. **Baptism Preparation Class.** Parents, if you **have not previously done** the current Parish Baptism Class, please text Judy Miller at (585) 924-8158 to sign-up. The Baptism Preparation Class is usually held on the first Tuesday of the month, 7 PM, in the Parish Center.

4. **Scheduling the Baptism.** Once, the understanding of the sacrament and the intent to raise the child in the Catholic faith is clearly expressed by the parents, the preparation has been completed by the parents and godparents, and the godparent forms are received, the date of Baptism can be scheduled.

5. **Living in the Grace of the Sacrament.**
 - a. Daily Family Prayer. Let your child/ren see you and your spouse praying together, and leading them at prayer as a family – at meals, before going to bed, etc.
 - b. Participate at Sunday Mass. Jesus welcomed the children who were brought to him. Practical note: Recognize children for being children. Use the Family Room or the Parish Center when your child/ren need the space. Be patient – it may take them time to be familiar with church and understand the expected behavior.
 - c. Explore the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd. Recognizing the innate religious potential of your child early on, we offer an interactive, Bible-based program for toddlers, 3 years old. Visit the atrium.
 - d. Participate in the Life of the Parish. As you asked for your child to become a member of the Family of God, allow him/her to experience concretely belongingness and serving in the parish. Download our parish app by texting “App” to 55321. Download [myParish App](#), and select Saint Patrick after opening the App.