



St. Christopher Catholic Parish

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**This application packet is for children up to 6 years of age.
Requirements for Parents intending to have their child baptized at our church:**

- ◆ **Copy** of child's **Certified** birth certificate.
- ◆ Parents must complete a 'Baptismal application form'.
- ◆ **Godparents** must read and complete their own '**Baptism Sponsor requirement form**'.
- ◆ **Parents must submit their completed baptismal application forms and all require certificates before the first day of the month in which they wish to have their child baptized.**
- ◆ If the parents **do not** belong to our parish, or if they live outside of **MORENO VALLEY** a **letter of permission** from your Parish Priest is required.
- ◆ Baptismal Seminars are held on two Thursdays of each month at Domas Hall from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. This is a two part seminar and you must attend BOTH classes. Please call the office for seminar dates. Please arrive no later than 6:30 pm. We do not offer babysitting during the seminar. We ask that you make arrangements for the care of your children. Children will not be allowed in the seminar.
- ◆ **Baptisms are normally held on the last Saturday of the month.**
- ◆ **A donation is requested. The usual donation is \$100 and is requested at the time the application is submitted.**

Guidelines for Sponsors (Godparents) of the child to be baptized.

- ◆ Sponsors must complete their own '**Baptism Sponsor requirement form**'. Please refer to this form for sponsor qualifications. If additional forms are needed, they are available online or at the Parish office.
- ◆ It is a pre-requisite that intending sponsors (Godparents) attend the baptismal seminar either here or at their own Parish. Please write the name of the child to be baptized on the certificate of attendance if the Godparents attend a seminar in their own parish.
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Intending Sponsors (Godparents) are exempted from the Baptismal seminar if they have been to one during the past TWO years. Certificate of attendance for Baptism seminar is valid for two years. A copy of the certificate must be submitted to the office. Please write the name of the child being baptized on the certificate.

Though non-Catholics are welcomed, they can be considered as witnesses together with a Catholic sponsor. (Canon Law 874 par 2)

Baptism Application
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Information about the Child and Family

Please print the FIRST name of the child	Print the MIDDLE name of the child	Print the LAST name of the child
Date of child's birth:	Print place of child's birth	
Print name of child's biological father		Father's Religion
Print the MAIDEN name of the biological mother		Mother's Religion
Mailing address (Please include street address, city, state and zip code)		
Daytime telephone number	Evening telephone number	E-Mail Address:
<p>1. Are the parents practicing Catholics? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Not Catholic</p> <p>2. Are the parents registered members of St. Christopher parish? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>3. Have the parents celebrated their marriage in the Catholic Church? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Not Married</p> <p>4. Do the parents intend to raise the child in the Catholic faith? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p>		

Information about the Godparents (Sponsors & Witness)

Print name of Sponsoring Godparent	Religion
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Who completed this application?

Print your name	Relation to child	Today's date	Your Signature
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<p>Class Attendance</p> <p>Father <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Mother <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Godfather <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Godmother <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Documents recieved</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Child's Birth Certificate</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Godfather's Application and Certificate of Confirmation</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Godmother's Application and Certificate of Confirmation</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Live in Moreno Valley? <input type="checkbox"/> Permission to baptize in our parish</p>	
<p><input type="checkbox"/> Parent(s) are candidates for the following: <input type="checkbox"/> RCIA <input type="checkbox"/> Confirmation <input type="checkbox"/> Marriage Validation</p> <p>Parents promised during interview to receive the sacrament of marriage in the future: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p>		
Date of Baptism	Print name of celebrant	
Parish Envelope number	Donation Receipt number	Application received by: Date:
_____	_____	_____ _____

Baptism Sponsor Requirements and Application

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Baptism Sponsor Requirements Code of Canon Law

Can. 872 Insofar as possible, a person to be baptized is to be given a sponsor who assists an adult in Christian initiation or together with the parents presents an infant for baptism. A sponsor also helps the baptized person to lead a Christian life in keeping with baptism and to fulfill faithfully the obligations inherent in it.

Can. 873 There is to be only one male sponsor or one female sponsor or one of each.

Can. 874 §1. To be permitted to take on the function of sponsor a person must:

1/ be designated by the one to be baptized, by the parents or the person who takes their place, or in their absence by the pastor or minister and have the aptitude and intention of fulfilling this function;

2/ have completed the sixteenth year of age, unless the diocesan bishop has established another age, or the pastor or minister has granted an exception for a just cause; (note: in our parish Godparents must be at least 18 years of age.)

3/ be a Catholic who has been confirmed and has already received the most holy sacrament of the Eucharist and who leads a life of faith in keeping with the function to be taken on;

4/ not be bound by any canonical penalty legitimately imposed or declared;

5/ not be the father or mother of the one to be baptized.

§2. A baptized person who belongs to a non-Catholic ecclesial community is not to participate except together with a Catholic sponsor and then only as a witness of the baptism.

This section must be completed by the sponsor.

By checking in the appropriate boxes and signing this application, I hereby affirm, so help me God that:

1. I believe in the Lord Jesus Christ

Yes No

2. I believe in the teachings of the Catholic Church.

Yes No

3. I practice my Catholic faith by regularly joining in the celebration of Sunday Mass and Communion.

Yes No

4. If I am married, that my marriage has been celebrated in the Catholic Church.

Not Married Yes married in the Catholic Church No, married civilly, not in the Catholic Church

5. If I have children, that they are being raised in the Catholic faith.

Yes No I do not have any children

6. I am a registered member of my parish and that I fulfill my obligations to the parish, to the best of my abilities.

Yes No

7. I have received the sacrament of: baptism, Yes No

the Most Holy Eucharist Yes No and Confirmation Yes No

Sponsor/Godparent's Signature _____ Date _____

Print YOUR name (<u>Sponsor/Godparent</u>)	Sponsor's telephone number
Sponsor's mailing address	
Name of Sponsor's Parish	Telephone number of Sponsor's parish
Name of Sponsor's Parish Priest	

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