

# Saint Mary Catholic Church

## *Baptism Requirements*



To baptize a child at Saint Mary's, at least one parent must be Catholic, they **both** need to attend the pre-baptismal class. Sign up in the office, Tuesdays through Friday from 9am to 1pm. English class is on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month, and the Spanish class is on the last Saturday of each month. (subject to change; call the office to confirm).

Children 7 years and older are required to enroll in catechism. Call the office for more information.

Spanish baptisms are on the second Saturday of each month, and English Baptisms are on the fourth Saturday of each month (subject to change; call the office to confirm). Parents and godparents must arrive around 8:30am to start the Rite of Baptism at 9:00am, no exception.

**What does it mean to be in good standing with the church?** It means attending Sunday Mass regularly, cannot be living with someone outside of the Sacrament of Marriage, and they need to have all 3 sacraments of initiation (baptism, first holy communion, and confirmation).

Single Godparents must be Catholics in good standing with the church. In case the family has 2 single Godparents, one must be male and the other one female.

Parents and godparents must attend a pre-baptismal class OR turn in proof of class completion. **All ORIGINAL documentation from Godparents and parents must be submitted to the Office, along with a donation of \$50 dollars per child.** Children are not allowed in the class to avoid distractions.

### **Parents MUST turn in the following documents to the office:**

- ORIGINAL Child's birth certificate
- Letter of good standing from the parish of registration
- Proof of class completion if taken elsewhere.

### **Single godparents MUST turn in the following documents to the office:**

- ORIGINAL certificates of Baptism and Confirmation.
- Letter of good standing from the parish of registration
- Proof of class completion if taken elsewhere.

### **Married godparents MUST turn in the following documents to the office:**

- ORIGINAL Matrimony Certificate through the Catholic Church.
- Letter of good standing is required from the parish of registration
- Proof of class completion if taken elsewhere.