

REQUIREMENTS FOR GODPARENTS FOR YOUR CHILD
As stated in Canon 874 and required by the Diocese of Austin

Must be at least 16 years of age.

Must be a baptized Catholic who has completed the sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation.

May not be the parent of the child being baptized.

If married, must be married in the Catholic Church, regularly attending mass on Sunday, and living their Faith. The two godparents do not have to be married to one another.

A baptized non-catholic may not be a godparent but may serve as a witness along with a Catholic godparent.

Non-baptized persons may not serve as witnesses or godparents.

A GODPARENT COVENANT FORM MUST BE COMPLETED FOR EACH GODPARENT AND RETURNED TO THE CHURCH OFFICE PRIOR TO SCHEDULING BAPTISM.

BAPTISM GODPARENT COVENANT

As a Godparent, your responsibility is to foster the faith of your godchild and to reflect to your godchild the meaning of life of Catholic discipleship.

The Code of Canon Law (Church Law) specifies the requirements for serving as a Godparent (Canon 874): You may not be the parent of the person being baptized; you must be at least 16 years old; you must be fully initiated (Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist); if married, be in valid Catholic marriage; and live a life of active faith in the Catholic Church.

I understand the requirements of being a Baptism godparent and I state that I was

Baptized:

at _____ Church in
_____ (City and State)

Confirmed:

at _____ Catholic Church in
_____ (City and State)

Married in the Catholic Church:

at _____ in
_____ (City and State)

My godchild's name is:

Name of parish and city where Baptism is to take place:

_____ City _____

I am active in the Catholic Church, regularly attend Mass on Sunday and strive to live my faith.

Please print your

Name _____

Signature _____

Date _____