



SAINT MARY  
MAGDALENE  
ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH  
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### Infant and Child Pre-Baptism Preparation

*For infants and children up to 6 years of age*

***Baptism is scheduled by appointment with Margaret Miller:  
(951) 277-1801 ext 408 or [mmiller@smmcorona.org](mailto:mmiller@smmcorona.org)***

***Sessions fill up quickly, please return registration form,  
Godparent/Sponsor documents and fee to office as soon as possible.***

- Baptism by IMMERSION: your child will wear a simple garment (swimsuit, Onesie or shorts/t-shirt), that parents provide and are submerged in the water during the Baptism. After Baptism, you will dress your child in the WHITE Baptism garment, dress or suit.
- ***Parents are required to attend BOTH classes, even if they have attended in the past.***
- Our classes are on two Friday evenings from 6:30—8:30PM. Please plan for your babysitting needs.
- In preparing for the Baptism of your child, please contact the office, (951) 277-1801 ext 408, if you have any questions concerning Godparents, the classes or the celebration.

### PARENT CHECKLIST—PLEASE SUBMIT TO PARISH OFFICE:

***We will schedule your baptism celebration as soon as you complete this checklist.***

**Baptism Registration form and return it along with your \$100.00 fee (+ \$50 each additional child), for the classes for parents and godparents/sponsors, materials, stipends and Baptism candle.**

**AND**

- Copy of child's BIRTH CERTIFICATE**

**AND**

- Godparent letter of parish membership.** Required if the Godparent does not belong to St. Mary Magdalene, a letter from their parish confirming they are practicing in their faith.

**AND**

- Godparent Class Registration – included in family registration fee.**

**OR**

- Pre-Baptism/Godparent class attendance letter or certificate dated within two years.**

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### **Godparent/Sponsor Guidelines for Infant/Child Baptism Celebration**

Selecting a Sponsor, also called a Godparent is an important decision. You are not simply honoring friends or relatives with a title whose responsibilities end at the conclusion of the baptism ceremony. You are asking them to enter a privileged faith relationship with your child for a lifetime.

A Sponsor/Godparent should:

- Be chosen by the parents or guardians.
- Be at least 16 years of age.
- Be a practicing Catholic, who has been fully initiated in the Catholic Church through the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist.
- Who leads a life of faith in keeping with the function to be taken on; be an example of Christian living, witnessing to a life based on the values of Christ
- Not be bound by any canonical penalty legitimately imposed or declared.
- Not be the mother or father of the child to be baptized.
- One sponsor, male or female, is sufficient; but there may be two, one of each sex
- 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.

The role of Godparent is an important one. If you are having any difficulty selecting a Godparent, please let us know so we can assist you with this decision.

***All required documents need to be submitted to Margaret Miller BEFORE Baptism is scheduled.***

- ***Godparents are required to attend Pre-Baptism/Godparent classes. Godparents are encouraged to attend all of the classes with parents at St. Mary Magdalene. Attendance at both classes is required.***
- ***Godparents may participate in Pre-Baptism/Godparent classes at their own parish, and present a letter of completion to the Catechetical Ministry Office before the baptism date is scheduled.***



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**PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY—THIS INFORMATION WILL BE RECORDED. LEAVE NO BLANK SPACES.**

Date of Registration at SMM: \_\_\_\_\_ Checked by: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Parents must be registered at least 3 months prior to DATE OF BAPTISM)

Date you would like to baptize: \_\_\_\_\_ Time \_\_\_\_\_

Full Name of Child: \_\_\_\_\_ F M

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ City & State of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Father's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Religion: \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Religion: \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's Maiden Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

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

***One sponsor/godparent, male or female, is sufficient; but there may be two, one of each sex.  
At least one sponsor/godparent must be Catholic.***

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Godfather's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Is he Catholic? \_\_\_\_\_

If not, which Christian Church? \_\_\_\_\_

- SMM MEMBER  LETTER FROM PARISH
- CLASS REGISTRATION FORM  CLASS COMPLETION LETTER

Godmother's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Is she Catholic? \_\_\_\_\_

If not, which Christian Church? \_\_\_\_\_

- SMM MEMBER  LETTER FROM PARISH
- CLASS REGISTRATION FORM  CLASS COMPLETION LETTER

**OFFICE USE ONLY**

Date Paid \_\_\_\_\_ Amt \_\_\_\_\_ Forms to \_\_\_\_\_ MM \_\_\_\_\_ AK \_\_\_\_\_  
 Check  Credit Card  Cash  Parish Pay — smmcorona.com REF # \_\_\_\_\_