



St. Cecilia Catholic Church

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Dear Parents,

The second half of this sheet is a Certificate of Eligibility, which is required of the individuals you select as the godparents of your child.

The Certificate is a statement that the Godmother and/or Godfather you select are members in good standing of the parish in which they worship and that they are competent to act as a sponsor at your child's Baptism.

According to Church Law (CIC #874), competent godparents must:

- 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.
- be at least 16 years of age.
- be a baptized 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; a baptized, non-Catholic may not be a godparent but may serve as a Christian witness along with a Catholic godparent.
- not be the father or the mother of the one to be baptized.
- not be bound by any canonical penalty legitimately imposed or declared.

Certificate of Eligibility for Catholic Godparents

Name(s) of Godparent(s)

is a member of this parish, in good standing and is competent to act as a sponsor at the Baptism of:

Name of Child to be Baptized

Parish: _____

Pastor Name: _____

Signed: _____

Date: _____

Parish Seal:

Please return this form prior to scheduling your child's Baptism:

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St. Cecilia, help us to sing God's praises!