

Infant Baptism Preparation Information

2018-2019

St. John the Evangelist Parish

121 N. 80th St.

Seattle, WA 98103

Dear Families:

Thank you for your interest in having your child baptized at St. John! Infant baptism is for children under age 7. **If your child is over age 7, please contact me so I can tell you about the program for them (RCIA adapted for children).**

Baptism date: June 16-17	No classes: home study only	Rehearsal: TBD
Baptism date: October 13-14	Baptism Classes: 9/12/2018 and 9/19/2018	Rehearsal: 10/11 6pm
Baptism date: December 15-16	Baptism Classes: 11/7/2018 and 12/5/2018	Rehearsal: 12/12 6pm
Baptism date: February 23-24	Baptism Classes: 1/16/2019 and 1/30/2019	Rehearsal: 2/21 6pm
Baptism date: May 18-19	Baptism Classes: 4/3/2019 and 4/24/2019	Rehearsal: 5/16 6pm

STEPS TO PREPARING FOR YOUR CHILD'S BAPTISM:

- 1. Please note:** According to Archdiocesan guidelines; you should be a registered member of the parish as part of the Baptism preparation process. Please fill out our parish registration form (available on our website: <http://stjohnsea.org/OurParish/ParishRegistration/tabid/1656/Default.aspx>) if you are not yet registered.
- 2. Fill out and return by mail or email the Baptism Information form. Be sure to indicate which Baptism date/time you want to attend. Note that the form has two pages!**
- 3. Please download the *Godparent Form* and *Letter to Godparents* from our website. You will need to send both to the Catholic godparents, so they can have their parish sign it and then return it to me.**
- 4. You will also need to provide a copy of your child's birth certificate to me.**
- 5. If you are first time parents or have never taken a Baptism class at St. John or elsewhere, you should attend the two Baptism classes. They are held in the calendar month prior to the baptism dates.**
- 6. The class dates are listed above. I will send you the location once I receive your forms.**
- 7. At least one parent needs to attend the rehearsal for the Baptism. Godparents are optional but welcome at the rehearsal. The rehearsal is held in the church. Children are welcome.**

May God continue to bless your family and if you have any questions please call me at 206-782-2810 x308 or for faster response, email me at jrudden@stjohnsea.org Keep this list handy and check off each as it is completed.

Peace in Christ,
Julia Rudden
Director of Sacramental Preparation
St John the Evangelist

BAPTISM INFORMATION FORM

St. John the Evangelist Church

121 North 80th St. Seattle, WA 98103
Phone: 206-782-2810; fax 206-782-0242

Office Use:

Date of Baptism _____

Mass Time _____

Class? _____

Godparent Forms _____ Birth Certf. _____

Full Name of your Child _____
First Middle Last

Date of Birth _____ City of Birth _____

Address _____
Street City State Zip code

Telephone # _____

E-mail _____

Father's Name _____
First Middle Last

Father's Religion _____
Baptized _____ 1st Communion _____ Confirmed _____
Y/N Y/N Y/N

Mother's Birth Name _____
First Middle Last

Mother's Religion _____
Baptized _____ 1st Communion _____ Confirmed _____
Y/N Y/N Y/N

Date of Marriage _____ Married in Catholic Church? Yes _____ No _____

If not married in the Catholic Church, would you like to bring your marriage into the church? _____

Have you been previously married? _____

If civilly divorced, is your child's baptism in accord with your parenting agreement? _____

Registration and Baptism Date/Time Preference and Class Sessions:

1. How long have you been a registered member of St. John the Evangelist Church? _____
Note: If you are not a registered member please register at www.stjohnsea.org
2. **Date choice: June 16-17, 2018** ___; **Oct 13-14, 2018** ___; **Dec 15-16, 2018** ___; **Feb 23-24, 2019**; **May 18-19, 2019** ___
3. **Please indicate: Sat. 5PM** ___ **Sun. 8:30am** ___ **Sun. 10:30am** ___
I will let you know if I can't accommodate your mass choice.
4. **A \$55 preparation fee is requested; no one will be turned away from the sacrament for lack of funds.**
5. **If you are a first time parent or have never taken a Baptism class at St. John or elsewhere you should attend the two Baptism Preparation Sessions!**

I will be attending the Baptism classes: Yes _____ No, I don't need to attend _____

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Dear Godparent,

You have been asked to be godparent for the child of our parishioner.

As godparent your role is to assist the parents in the formation of this child in the Catholic faith. You can do this by the care and concern you show for him and by your prayer.

Godparents must be **fully initiated Catholics who are Baptized, Confirmed and receive Eucharist**. They should **regularly participate in Mass on Sunday and Holy Days; strive to live out the gospel message in their** daily life. Godparents assist parents through the example of their life and willingness to pray for the child and to be present to the child in spiritual matters.

Please complete the Godparent form, one for each child, and have it signed by your **pastor or his representative** well before the baptism date. **Please return the signed forms to me at soon as possible. Please email me at jrudden@stjohnsea.org to let me know you have mailed me the form so I can watch for it.**

If St John is your home parish, I will take care of having Father sign the form, just turn it in to me prior to the baptism date.

Thank you for your willingness to be a Godparent.

Blessings,

Julia Rudden
Director of Sacramental Preparation



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THE EVANGELIST PARISH
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St. John Catholic Church
 121 N. 80th St.
 Seattle, WA 98117
www.stjohnsea.org (206) 782-2810

Form for Catholic Godparents & Christian Witnesses

You have been asked to be a godparent or Christian witness for an upcoming baptism at St. John Catholic Church. We ask you to reflect on your responsibilities as a godparent, and fill out the commitment form. **If you are Catholic, please have a priest or staff person from the parish at which you are registered sign the bottom portion and affix the parish seal.** Please return this form to our parish by postal mail or scan & email as soon as possible (Attn: Julia Rudden, Dir. of Sacramental Preparation).

Full Name of Godparent/Witness: _____

Person to be Baptized: _____

Parents: _____

I am a registered and participating member of _____ parish
 in (city) _____ (state) _____

Check ALL that apply:

- I am age 16 or older, Catholic and have received the Sacrament of Confirmation.
- I am a Catholic and currently in preparation class at _____ parish and intend to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. You may reach the director of the Confirmation program at this phone number: _____.
- I am a baptized member of another Christian tradition. I was baptized at _____ church in the _____ faith tradition.
- I regularly participate in Sunday Mass, I believe in the faith of the Catholic Church, and I truly make a serious effort to live a good and moral life.
- I promise to give my support to the godchild and to his/her parents by my prayers and by the example of my Catholic faith practiced in my daily life.

Godparent's Signature: _____ Date: _____

For Priest or Parish staff at the Parish at which you are a member
 (This must be completed before sending the form back):

- The person named above is a confirmed Catholic.
- I verify that this person is a registered member of our parish who attends Mass and participates in our parish community.

Pastor/Staff Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parish: _____

parish seal