

Godparent Statement of Fidelity

The role of a godparent is to present with the parents an infant for Baptism and to help the child to lead a Christian life in harmony with the Sacrament.

Baptismal Information

Full Name of Godparent: _____

Child to Be Baptized: _____

Parents of Child: _____

Parish Where Baptism Will Occur: _____ City/State: _____

Date of Baptism: _____

Sacramental and Canonical Information

Church law (Code of Canon Law, can. 874) establishes certain requirements for godparents. Therefore, to serve in this capacity, you must be able to affirm each of the following statements as true for you. Please answer each of the following questions with YES or NO.

_____ I understand the nature of an oath, and I promise to respond truthfully to the following statements, before Almighty God as my Witness and Judge.

_____ I have been baptized, and I am at least 16 years old.

_____ I have been confirmed in the Catholic Church.

_____ I have already received the Sacrament of the Most Holy Eucharist.

_____ I am leading a life in harmony with the Catholic faith by:

- attending Mass each Sunday and Holy Day of Obligation,
- going to Confession and receiving Holy Communion at least once a year,
- supporting the mission of the Church with my time, talent, and treasure, and
- observing the days of fasting and abstinence from meat.

_____ I am living in conformity with the Marriage laws of the Church:

- If single, I am chaste (i.e., not cohabiting or simulating married life).
- If married, my present Marriage is recognized as valid by the Catholic Church, and I am faithful to my spouse.

Oath and Statement of Intention

I solemnly swear to the truthfulness of my answers. I intend to assist the child's parents in their duty as Christian parents in raising and educating the child in the practice of the Catholic faith.

Signature of Godparent

Signature of Pastor

Date