

Information Form for the
SACRAMENT of BAPTISM

CHILD

Full Name (exactly as it appears on Birth Certificate) _____

Due Date: _____ Gender: Male Female

Date of birth: _____ City of Birth: _____

Full LEGAL Name	Full MAIDEN Name
<p>FATHER: _____</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Date of Birth _____ Age _____ • Baptized Catholic? yes no If not Catholic, what is his religion? _____ If not Catholic, does he oppose this baptism or have concerns about his child being raised Catholic? _____ • Received Sacrament of Confirmation? yes no If not, would he be interested in RCIA? yes no • Mass Attendance? always often rarely never 	<p>MOTHER: _____</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Date of Birth _____ Age _____ • Baptized Catholic? yes no If not Catholic, what is her religion? _____ If not Catholic, does she oppose this baptism or have concerns about her child being raised Catholic? _____ • Received Sacrament of Confirmation? yes no If not, would she be interested in RCIA? yes no • Mass Attendance? always often rarely never

Marital Status of parents: Married in the Catholic Church by a Catholic Priest or Deacon
 Civilly Married by a non-Catholic Minister, a Justice of the Peace, etc.
 Cohabiting (the Birth Certificate will be required to list the father)
 Other _____

Phone Numbers: Home: _____ His Cell: _____ Her Cell: _____

Physical Address*

*Is this within the **territorial** boundaries of St. Ann Parish? Yes No

*Are you **registered** parishioners of St. Ann Parish? Yes No

*If NOT a **territorial** or **registered** parishioner, permission of pastor
 will be **REQUIRED**. "Home" parish? _____

Mailing address (if different than physical address):

Is this the **first** child for both parents? Yes No If parents have other children **together**, list them here:

First Name _____ Middle Name _____ DOB _____ Baptized?__ First Communion? __

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Father and/or mother has other children from a previous relationship? Yes No (list names on separate page)

GODPARENTS

From the ***Catechism of the Catholic Church***: "For the grace of Baptism to unfold, the parents' help is important. So too is the role of the *godfather and godmother*, who must be firm believers, able and ready to help the newly baptized—child or adult—on the road of Christian life. Their task is a truly ecclesial function."

By definition a godparent is a fully initiated and active Catholic who is at least 16-years-old and is currently in good standing with the Catholic Church. A "fully Initiated" Catholic has been Baptized and has made First Communion and Confirmation. An "active" Catholic attends Mass regularly and goes to Confession when necessary, at least once a year. A Catholic in "good standing" is not currently living in a situation which would prevent a person from participating in the Sacraments (i.e. living with someone to whom they are not married in the eyes of the Church). In order for a person to be a godparent, they must meet the Catholic Church's requirements of a godparent.

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<p>GODFATHER: _____</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Date of Birth _____ Age ____, must be at least 16. • Father _____ Mother _____ • Baptized Catholic? Yes No • Received First Communion? Yes No • Received Sacrament of Confirmation? Yes No • Mass Attendance? always often rarely never • Marital Status: (check one) <input type="checkbox"/> Single (Not Married) <input type="checkbox"/> Married in the Catholic Church by Priest, Deacon <input type="checkbox"/> Civilly Married by a Minister, a Justice of the Peace, etc. <input type="checkbox"/> Cohabiting, not married and living together • Church of Baptism _____ <p>(Please note: This parish will be contacted to verify the above Sacramental information.) <input type="checkbox"/> Verified by _____</p>	<p>GODMOTHER: _____</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Date of Birth _____ Age ____, must be at least 16. • Father _____ Mother _____ • Baptized Catholic? Yes No • Received First Communion? Yes No • Received Sacrament of Confirmation? Yes No • Mass Attendance? always often rarely never • Marital Status: (check one) <input type="checkbox"/> Single (Not Married) <input type="checkbox"/> Married in the Catholic Church by Priest, Deacon <input type="checkbox"/> Civilly Married by a Minister, a Justice of the Peace, etc. <input type="checkbox"/> Cohabiting, not married and living together • Church of Baptism _____ <p>(Please note: This parish will be contacted to verify the above Sacramental information.) <input type="checkbox"/> Verified by _____</p>

Only ONE (1) godparent is required for baptism.

If they wish, in addition to one Godparent, the parents may chose someone **from another religion** to be a "Christian Witness." **A "Christian Witness" is NOT a Godparent.** A Godparent must meet the above requirements including the obvious requirement of being Catholic. A "Christian Witness" must be a baptized Christian in good standing in their own religion. A "Christian Witness" CANNOT be a former Catholic. A "Christian Witness" does participate in the baptismal ceremony and is listed as such in the Sacramental record. A "Christian Witness" is only allowed if there is only one Godparent.

CHRISTIAN WITNESS

Full Legal Name: _____ Denomination: _____

Date of Application: _____ Date of Baptism: _____ (time) _____

Date of Parents' meeting with Fr. Massie: _____ Person performing the Baptism: _____

_____ (time) _____

If this is a visiting priest or deacon, permission must be granted by Fr. Massie _____



St. Ann
Roman Catholic Church

GODPARENT CERTIFICATION FORM

[This form must be completed and on file prior to the interview with the clergy.]

Dear Baptismal Sponsor:

When a parent chooses you as a Baptismal Sponsor (Godparent), it means you are thought of as a very special Catholic. Being called to be a Godparent is not merely a choice because of family ties or friendship rewards. The call to be a Godparent bears the responsibility of giving a spiritual example to your Godchild of how to live out the Catholic faith in everyday life.

As a confirmed adult Catholic, you are a guide and model of how a mature Catholic should live. By being faithful to God’s law, being active in the life of the parish, participating in Mass every Sunday, and living the Gospel values, you offer tremendous personal support to parents who commit themselves, in the Baptism, to faithfully pass on the Catholic faith to their child.

Therefore, it is important that you prayerfully consider the serious responsibility you take on as a Godparent. If you are unable to live up to the Catholic ideals expected of a Godparent, you may wish to decline this responsibility.

I, _____ Of, _____
[Godparent’s Name - PRINTED] [Godparent’s Church Parish - PRINTED]

Accept the invitation to be Godparent to _____
[Child’s Name – First, Middle & Last – PRINTED]

for the Sacrament of Baptism at St Ann Catholic Church in Mamou, Louisiana.

I affirm that I am a baptized and confirmed Catholic, living my Catholic faith and that I am in good standing (able to receive the sacraments, e.g. in a valid marriage & going to Mass every Sunday) within the Catholic Church.

I understand that I am called to serve as a companion, guide and role model to my Godchild, through my own example and witness in the Church.

[Signature of Godparent]

[Date]

PASTOR’S CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that _____ is in good standing in this parish and that he/she meets the requirements for being a Godparent.

Parish: _____ Date: _____

Pastor’s Signature: _____

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Seal*



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