

Our Lady of the Angels Parish

6442 Pelham Rd

Taylor, MI. 48180

RE: Baptism of: _____

Baptism is a Sacrament of Initiation by which one enters into the life of Christ and his Church. Those who sponsor others for this Sacrament must share in this Christian Life.

REQUIREMENTS FOR GODPARENTS

These requirements flow from the above understanding of the Sacrament of Baptism and the roles of sponsors as they are set forth in the Catholic Church's Code of Canon Law. Under the law, a Godparent must:

- Normally be at least 16 years of age
- Have received all of the Sacrament of Initiation: Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist
- Be a practicing Catholic and not a parent of the candidate for baptism

We also understand registered membership in a Catholic Parish to be a characteristic of a practicing Catholic and therefore required for eligibility as a Godparent.

Although two sponsors (not of the same sex) are permitted, only one is required for the Sacrament. In case of infant baptism, the Godparent's role, together with the parents, is to present the child for Baptism and to help him or her to live a Christian life in the Catholic Church, faithfully fulfilling the duties inherent in the Sacrament.

TO BE COMPLETED BY THE GODPARENT:

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____

I declare that I fulfill the requirements listed above to serve in the role of godparent

Prospective Godparent's signature

I certify that the above-named Godparent is a registered and active member of

Parish, is a practicing Catholic and to my knowledge is eligible to act as a Godparent for the Sacrament of Baptism

Signature _____

Pastor/Delegate of Godparent's Church