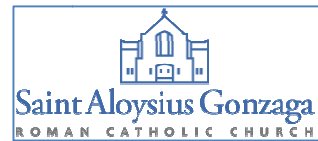


St. Aloysius Gonzaga Parish Community **Baptism Preparation**

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“Holy Baptism is the basis of the whole Christian life, the gateway to life in the Spirit and the door which gives access to the other sacraments. Through Baptism we are freed from sin and reborn as children of God; we become members of Christ, are incorporated into the Church and made sharers in her mission”¹

1. Baptism Registration Form
2. Your Baby's Baptism handout
3. Baptism is a faith journey:
 - a. Christ's Baptism
 - b. For your child
 - i. Sacraments of Initiation
 1. Baptism - Beginning of new life in Christ
 2. Confirmation – Strengthen us to live more fully Christ's call to serve
 3. Eucharist – Nourish us to live as Christ's disciples
 - ii. The effects of Baptism
 1. Welcome into the Christian community
 2. Forgiveness of sins
 3. Born into a new life
 4. Receive the Holy Spirit
 - c. For you
 - d. For your friends and family
4. Godparent(s) Handout
 - a. Requirements of the Church
 - i. A role model in faith, continuing involvement through child's life
5. Rite of Baptism
 - a. Reception of the Child
 - b. Celebration of God's Word
 - c. Celebration of the Sacrament (at Font)
 - i. Renunciation of Sin and Profession of Faith
 - ii. Baptism
 - iii. Anointing With Chrism
 - iv. Clothing With The White Garment
 - v. Lighted Candle
 - vi. Prayer Over Ears and Mouth
 - d. Conclusion of The Rite
 - i. Lord's Prayer
 - ii. Blessing
6. After the Baptism

Scheduling the Baptism Service

Saturday, Sunday afternoons 12:30 pm to 4:00 pm
Sundays during 9:00 am or 11:00 am Mass (start
time 20 minutes before Mass)