

## **OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION PARISH BAPTISM PROCEDURES**

Welcome to our parish's Baptismal Process. Our procedures have been established in consideration of the Church's regulations and our desire to make this a most meaningful experience for you and your family. The process will start with an interview and the registration of the child for baptism, followed by the class and then the baptism. Please note that only a parent or legal guardian may seek baptism for a child. We expect that parents requesting baptism for their children are practicing Catholics, and are registered members of the parish. **Please bring the child's birth certificate to the interview.**

**The next Pre-Baptismal class in English is on Saturday, \_\_\_\_\_,  
in the Santa Cruz Room at the Parish Center.**

**The Class time is from 9:30 to 11:00 A.M.**

**Both parents and godparents must attend the class.**

**Your child's Baptisms in English is on Saturday, \_\_\_\_\_, at 9:30 A.M. SHARP.**

**In consideration of others, we request that you make every effort to leave children  
in the care of others while you attend the Pre-Baptismal class.**

**We also request that all children present at the Baptism be supervised by adults.**

**If you must change the date of Baptism, or have other questions concerning the  
class or Sacrament, please call Deacon Rodger Adams at 642-7966, ext. 116.**

### **GODPARENT QUALIFICATIONS**

1. There must be at least one godparent, who may be either male or female. If there are two godparents (*and there may be no more than two*) there is to be one of each sex.
2. To be admitted to undertake the responsibilities of a godparent a person must be:
  - a. other than the father or the mother of the child to be baptized;
  - b. appointed by the parents or whoever stands in their place, suitable for the role of godparent and have the intention of filling it;
  - c. a Catholic who has been Confirmed, is at least sixteen years of age and has received the Holy Eucharist;
  - d. one who faithfully practices their faith by regular Sunday Mass attendance and reception of the Eucharist;
  - e. be living within the sacramental life of the Catholic Church. If married, be married in the Catholic Church.
3. Godparents are to be present at the baptismal ceremony.

**Cancellation: If you need to cancel a Baptism at the last minute, please call the parish office at 642-7966 and ask the secretary to tell the minister of the change.**