

BAPTISM & CLASS SCHEDULE 2023-2024

The sacrament of baptism ushers us into the divine life, cleanses us from sin, and initiates us as members of the Christian community. It is the foundation for sacramental life.

At baptism, the presider prays over the water:

Father, look now with love upon your Church, and unseal for her the fountain of baptism. By the power of the Holy Spirit give to this water the grace of your Son, so that in the sacrament of baptism all those whom you have created in your likeness may be cleansed from sin and rise to a new birth of innocence by water and the Holy Spirit. (Christian Initiation of Adults, #222A)

Classes

Class will be at 6:30 pm on Tuesday, in the Church, the week of the scheduled baptism (unless otherwise noted).

Both parents and godparents must be present at class, even if you have previously attended the class. The child does not need to be present.

Baptisms are at 2:00 PM on Saturdays. Children will be baptized at the font. Godfathers are expected to bring a baptismal candle (can be purchased at Tonini's) and the godmothers are to bring a towel to dry the head.

Schedule

Sat., October 28, 2023 - class on Tues. October 24 at 6:30

Sat., December 30, 2023 - class on Tues. December 19 at 6:30 (a week earlier)

Sat., February 10, 2024 - class on Tues. February 6 at 6:30

Sat., March 30, 2024 Easter Vigil (8:00 pm) - class on Wed., March 27 at 6:30

Sat., June 29, 2024 - class on Tues. June 25 at 6:30

Sat., August 24, 2024 - class on Tues. August 20 at 6:30

Sat., October 26, 2024 - class on Tues. October 22 at 6:30

Sat., December 28, 2024 - class on Tues. December 17 at 6:30 (a week earlier)

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Additional Information

Saturdays at 2:00 PM. Please arrive between 1:30–1:45 PM to be seated.

Babies should be dressed in a diaper/other clothing (not white) and will be changed into a baptismal gown or white garments after the baptism.

Order of Service

Parents and Godparents will be received at the vestibule of the Church.

Families will be seated at the nave of the sanctuary.

Candidates' Procession.

Baptism reading and homily.

Parents and Godparents are invited to the front of the altar for anointing with Oil of the Catechumens and Exorcism.

Each family (parents, the child to be baptized, godparents, and siblings) will be invited to the baptismal font for the baptism.

Baptism

Child will be vested with white garment (please do not cover the child's head).

After each baptism, the family will return to their seats.

Parents and godparents will stand in front of the altar.

Anointing with The Chrism.

Effetha

Final Blessing

The church will be open for a short time after the service for photos if desired.