



SAINT MARY  
of the angels

## *Receiving Baptism at "Saint Mary of the Angels"*

### ❖ **Importance of Baptism for Children**

*Holy Baptism is the base of the whole Christian life... Through Baptism we are freed from sin and reborn as sons of God; we became members of Christ, are incorporated into the Church and made sharers in her mission... Born with a fallen human nature and tainted by original sin, children also have the need of the new birth in Baptism to be freed from the power of darkness and brought into the realm of the freedom of the children of God... (Catechism of the Catholic Church, 1213 & 1250).*

*The Church and the parents would deny a child the priceless grace of becoming a child of God were they not to confer Baptism shortly after birth (Catechism of the Catholic Church, 1250).*

**Here is what you have to do to have your young children baptized at Saint Mary of the Angels:**

#### **1) Choose Godparents who are practicing Catholics**

You may choose one godparent (male or female) or two (in this case one of each sex).

A godparent must have completed the sixteenth year, be a Catholic who has been confirmed and has already received the sacrament of the Most Holy Eucharist and leads a life in harmony with the faith and the role to be undertaken (Code of Canon Law, 874).

#### **2) Receive Baptismal Instruction**

Parents and godparents are required to attend one baptismal class before the baptism ceremony can take place. (If you already attended the class with a previous Baptism you do not need to take the class again. Just call the Parish Office for a Registration Form or go to our website [www.sma-church.org](http://www.sma-church.org) (look under sacraments) and return it as soon as possible). You can come to the class without signing up beforehand. Baptismal classes are given according to the following schedule:

**In English** – 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday at 7:30 pm

**In Spanish** – 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday at 7:30 pm

**In Polish** – Please call the Parish Office.

#### **3) Reserve a Date for Baptism**

You will receive the Registration Form at the class and can fill out the date and time of the Baptism.

If you took the class at another church, send us a certificate of attendance. After filling out the Baptismal Form, parents should mail it or bring it to the Parish Office **together with a copy of birth certificate** of your child.

**The schedule of the Baptismal Ceremony is as follows:**

**Baptisms in English** – 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays at 2:00 pm

**Baptisms in Spanish** – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday at the 12:30 pm Mass and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday at 10:00 am

**Baptisms in Polish** – Sundays at the 9:30 am Mass

Please **PRINT LEGIBLY**

DATE OF BAPTISM: \_\_\_\_\_

TIME: \_\_\_\_\_



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## Baptismal Registration Form

1. Full name of the person to be baptized \_\_\_\_\_ Sex: F \_\_\_ M \_\_\_

2. Date of birth \_\_\_\_\_ 3. Place of birth: City: \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

3. Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

4. Phone number \_\_\_(\_\_\_\_)\_\_\_\_\_ 8. E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

5. Was the child baptized privately? No \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, Date \_\_\_\_\_

6. Does he/she have any brothers and sisters? \_\_\_\_\_ How many? \_\_\_\_\_ Their names are: \_\_\_\_\_

7. In what parish are the parents registered? \_\_\_\_\_

8. Are the parents married? \_\_\_\_\_ a) In the Catholic Church? \_\_\_\_\_

b) Civil marriage? \_\_\_\_\_

c) Other Church? \_\_\_\_\_

d) Other? \_\_\_\_\_

9. Father's full name \_\_\_\_\_

10. Religion of the father \_\_\_\_\_ Is he a practicing Catholic? \_\_\_\_\_

11. Mother's **"full Maiden Name"** \_\_\_\_\_

12. Religion of the mother \_\_\_\_\_ Is she a practicing Catholic? \_\_\_\_\_

13. Godfather's full name \_\_\_\_\_ Is he a practicing Catholic? \_\_\_\_\_

14. Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

15. Phone number (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Parish he belongs to \_\_\_\_\_

16. Godmother's full name \_\_\_\_\_ Is she a practicing Catholic? \_\_\_\_\_

17. Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

18. Phone number (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Parish she belongs to \_\_\_\_\_

Attendance: **To be completed by the teacher of the class.**

<input type="checkbox"/> Father	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother	<input type="checkbox"/> Godfather	<input type="checkbox"/> Godmother
Date attended: _____	_____	_____	_____
Place attended: _____	_____	_____	_____
Person who taught the class _____			

Minister who celebrated the Baptism: \_\_\_\_\_