



St. Bernard of Clairvaux Catholic Church  
7130 Harrison Avenue  
Cincinnati, Ohio 45247

**CATHOLIC GODPARENT FORM FOR BAPTISM**

***This form is to be filled out by the Godparent and signed by the Pastor of the Godparent's Parish.  
This form must be returned to St. Bernard Church before the baptism date can be set.***

Name of person to be baptized: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Godparent: \_\_\_\_\_

I am a member of: Name of Church \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

**Canon 874 of the Code of Canon Law:** *To be permitted to take on the function of a Sponsor (Godparent), a person must : have completed the 16<sup>th</sup> year of age; be a Catholic who has been confirmed and has already received the most holy Sacrament of the Eucharist and who leads a life of faith in keeping with the function to be taken on; not be bound by any canonical penalty legitimately imposed or declared; not be the father or mother of the one to be baptized.* In accord with Canon Law 874, please provide the following information:

**In accepting this responsibility, I affirm that (check all that apply)**

- I have received the Sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation.
- I am sixteen years of age and mature enough in my faith to understand and carry out the duties of a Godparent and agree to assume the responsibility of being a good role model by my life of prayer and by my Catholic example.
- If I am married, my marriage is a sacramental marriage in the Catholic Church, or my marriage has been recognized (blessed/validated) by the Church. Catholics who are married by a Justice of the Peace, at another Christian church without permission, and those cohabiting do not meet the requirements to be a Godparent.
- I am a practicing Catholic. I attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation and regularly received the sacraments of Holy Communion and Reconciliation. I believe all that the Catholic Church professes and teaches, and I truly strive to incorporate these teachings in my daily life.
- I understand the obligations of a Godparent for a Catholic Baptism

SEAL OF CHURCH

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Signature of Godparent*

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*Signature of Pastor*

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*Date*