

Necessary Documents for Baptism

The following documents are required prior to the baptism:

- A copy of the child's birth certificate
- The names of the godparent(s)
- A letter from the godparent's pastor indicating his/her eligibility to be a godparent if he/she is not a parishioner of St. Thomas More.
- If godparent(s) of the child are from St. Thomas More parish, and the child is being baptized at a parish/church outside of St. Thomas More, the pastor is required to write a letter acknowledging that the godparent(s) are registered, active members of St. Thomas More parish and that they meet all the requirements to be godparents in accordance with Canon Law.
- If the parents of the child to be baptized are members of St. Thomas More Catholic Parish, and the baptism is to take place at a parish/church other than St. Thomas More; the pastor of St. Thomas More is required to write a letter acknowledging the completion of the baptism class, and his awareness of the baptism taking place outside of the child's home parish.

After the baptism has taken place, the parish where the baptism was celebrated is responsible for providing the family a copy of the baptismal certificate and for maintaining a record of the event.