



## ***St. Joseph Mareello Parish***

**7200 Auburn Folsom Rd., Granite Bay, CA 95746, 916-786-5001 Fax 916-786-5011**

**Congratulations! In choosing to have your child baptized,  
you realize the importance of raising your child in a community of faith.**

Baptism is the primary sacrament of the Christian Faith, the foundation upon which the entire Christian life is built. When we are baptized, the original sin with which we are born as children of Adam and Eve is taken away, we are filled with sanctifying grace, and we become members of the Church, the Body of Christ.

Please note the following requirements.

### **BAPTISM PREPARATION FOR CHILDREN UNDER THE AGE OF 6**

- Parents of the child to be baptized must be registered and active members of St. Joseph Mareello Church.
- Parents and godparents must attend a Baptism Preparation Class
- All Baptismal forms from parents and godparents must be received before scheduling date of baptism.
- Baptisms are scheduled 10am on the first Saturday of the month.
- Godparents include a godmother and a godfather. They must be confirmed practicing Catholics in good standing with the Church and over the age of 16.
- A Catholic godparent registered in another parish is asked to provide recommendation from their pastor. (See God-parent Verification Form)
- A non-catholic baptized Christian may be chosen as a Christian witness along with the Catholic godparent. Recommendation from their church accepted.
- Occasionally non-parishioners with family ties to St. Joseph Mareello request baptism and we require a letter or form signed by the pastor of their parish testifying that they are active parishioners in good standing and have his permission to baptize outside of their parish. The above information regarding forms and classes also apply.
- The St. Joseph Mareello Office Staff will discuss Baptism preparation class dates and Baptism dates with you.

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**Baptism Registration Form**

Name of child: \_\_\_\_\_

Place of birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Fathers name: \_\_\_\_\_ Religion \_\_\_\_\_

Mothers name: \_\_\_\_\_ Religion \_\_\_\_\_

Mothers maiden name: \_\_\_\_\_

Family address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Church where married: \_\_\_\_\_

Godfather: \_\_\_\_\_ Religion: \_\_\_\_\_

Godmother: \_\_\_\_\_ Religion: \_\_\_\_\_

Date/place of Baptism Preparation class: Parents: \_\_\_\_\_

Godfather: \_\_\_\_\_

Godmother: \_\_\_\_\_

Proposed date of Baptism: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Godparent Parish Verification Form

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

TO: \_\_\_\_\_

*Name of Parish where the baptism is held*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Parish address*

\_\_\_\_\_ who states that he/she is a member of

*Name of Godparent*

\_\_\_\_\_ desires to serve as a Godparent for the Baptism of

*Name of Parish*

\_\_\_\_\_ who is to be baptized.

*Name of person to be Baptized*

This is to verify that: I am a confirmed and active practicing Catholic \_\_\_\_\_

I am over the age of sixteen \_\_\_\_\_

If married, married in the Catholic church \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Godparent: \_\_\_\_\_

Verified by pastor or representative: \_\_\_\_\_

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