



# Our Lady of the Lake Roman Catholic Parish

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## BAPTISM GODPARENT CERTIFICATE

### Meaning and Role of a Godparent

At the celebration of the Sacrament of Baptism, Godparents are present to represent the expanded spiritual family of the child and help the parents so that children will profess the faith of their family and live up to it. A Godparent is a person who assumes, along with the parents, the responsibility for the child's faith. The purpose is to ensure that the rich and beautiful faith of the Church is passed on to the child in the most loving and authentic way possible.

As a Godparent, you must be able to live with integrity the Catholic faith handed on to you, as an example for your godchild.

### Requirements of a Godparent:

1. The Godparent chosen is a practicing Catholic
2. Age: 16 years or older
3. Have received the Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist. Confirmation certificate must be provided.
4. If married, the Godparent's marriage is recognized as being valid by the Catholic Church. You must provide Catholic Church marriage certificate.
5. Baptismal certificate with confirmation & marriage notation included will be accepted for proof of Sacraments.
6. Godparents' signature on affidavit must be witnessed by a parish representative.

## AFFIDAVIT OF THE GODPARENT

I, \_\_\_\_\_, am registered and participating member of

Print Name

\_\_\_\_\_ Catholic Church.

Godparent's Parish Name and City/State

### I affirm that:

**I have celebrated the three Sacraments of Initiation:** Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist.

**I worship regularly** at Mass on Sundays and Holy Days and give witness to my faith in Jesus Christ by partaking in Holy Communion, the Sacrament of Reconciliation and participating in the life of my parish.

**I actively strive** to live out my commitment to Christ and to the community of the Church by the sacrificial giving of my time, talents and treasure.

**If married, I celebrated the Sacrament of Marriage in communion with the Catholic Church.** (Catholics who are married outside the Catholic Church or who are living with someone outside of marriage may not be Godparents at this time).

**I understand the role of a Godparent,** and will give support to the person I am sponsoring by my prayers and by the visible example of Christian daily living.

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Baptism Candidates Name

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Godparent's Signature

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Signature witnessed by

(Parish Seal)

## CERTIFICATION BY THE PASTOR OF GODPARENT'S PARISH

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Date

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Pastor / Parish Administrator