

Please fill out this form **completely, printing clearly** in large letters. Do not use nicknames, except where indicated, or initials. Much of this information will appear on your child's permanent baptismal record.

ST. BRIDGET'S CHURCH

Data for Baptismal Register

Please return this form at least 2 weeks prior to baptism to:

Ms. Julie Koury

St. Bridget's Parish Center

6006 Three Chopt Road

Richmond, VA 23226

or fax: 804-285-7227

Child's Name _____ Male ___ Female ___
(first) (middle) (last)

Date of Birth _____ City/State of Birth _____

Father's Full Name _____ Religion _____
(first) (middle) (last)

Nickname? (What name shall we call you?) _____

Mother's Full Name _____ Religion _____
(first) (ORIGINAL MIDDLE) (MAIDEN) (last)

Nickname? (What name shall we call you?) _____

Home Address _____ Zip _____

Email Address (optional) _____

Home Phone _____ Father's Work Number _____ Mother's Work Number _____

Godparents (maximum of two) (*over*)

Godparent's Full Name _____ Religion Catholic

Parish _____ City/State _____

Godparent's Full Name _____ Religion _____

Parish _____ City/State _____

Attendance at Baptism Preparation Class : Date _____ Church _____

Has child already been baptized (as in a medical emergency)? No Yes
If yes, when? _____ Where? _____

Date and Time of Baptism _____

This date must be confirmed with Ms. Koury (282-9511).

Approximate number of relatives and friends expected to attend baptism _____

For office use:

Presiding Sacramental Minister _____

Concerning “Godparents” of Infants:

The Catholic Church asks that a *sponsor*, together with the child’s parents, present the child for baptism. The sponsor must be a confirmed and practicing Catholic, usually at least 16 years old. The role of the sponsor is to help the child lead a Christian life in keeping with the child’s baptismal dignity.

A baptized person of a non-Catholic Christian community may serve, together with a Catholic sponsor, as a *Christian witness* of the baptism. A Christian witness of the baptism, like the sponsor, should be a practicing Christian, at least 16 years old, and willing to help the child lead a Christian life.

Sponsors and *Christian witnesses* are frequently called *godparents*. St. Bridget’s will record at most two godparents in the parish baptismal register, at least one of whom must be a *sponsor* as described in the first paragraph.