



Baptism

**The following information applies to children
under the age of 18 who are to be baptized.**

Ages 18 and above should contact our RCIA coordinator-Steve Wagner at: steve@qev.com.

Celebration Schedule:

Following Church guidelines, baptism is to be celebrated in the presence of the parish community -- ordinarily at Mass. At St. Joseph's, these are the scheduled times:

- ***2nd Sunday of the month at the 10:30am Mass***
- ***4th Saturday of the month at the 5:30pm Mass***

No more than two baptisms will be scheduled for any particular Mass.

Parents should contact us as soon as possible about setting a date for baptism; this is important for scheduling clergy.

Preparation: Parents and godparents (sponsors) should participate in a short education session about the sacrament. Ordinarily this session is held by appointment after the 10:30am Mass on Sunday, and lasts about an hour. You may bring your child to the session, if necessary.

Certificates: Parents will receive a certificate in the mail shortly after the baptism. If replacements are needed, please contact the rectory.

Offering: A freewill donation to the church may be made at the time of baptism.

Contacts: For scheduling, preparation, and other information, parents should contact:

- Deacon Gary Bockweg (gary.bockweg@verizon.net)

Parents should not make any plans for their child's baptism before contacting Deacon Bockweg.