

Godparent's or Sponsor's Full Name:

Address: _____

Phone: () _____

Church Affiliation (Name of Church):

Church Address: _____

Church Phone: () _____

Minister's Name: _____

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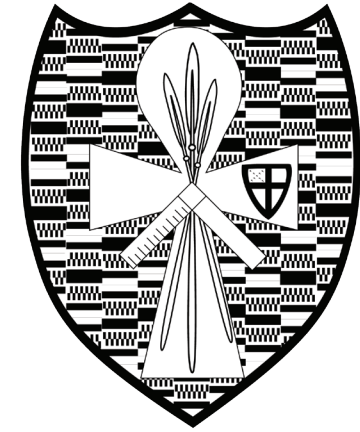
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*The Sacrament
of
Holy Baptism
at the
African Episcopal
Church
of
Saint Thomas*

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The Sacrament of Holy Baptism

Criteria and Costs

Dates

The dates for Baptism will be those prescribed in the Book of Common Prayer, p. 312, unless the number of requests require supplemental dates:

- Easter Vigil
- Pentecost
- All Saints Day (or the Sunday after)
- Feast of the Baptism of Our Lord
- Bishop's Visitation

A parent should contact the Rector (or his designee/s) at least three months in advance of the desired date to establish dates for Baptismal counseling and Baptism. The date will be set according to the calendar after the Priest and the family have completed conferences regarding the spiritual significance of baptism in the Episcopal Church. On the date decided upon, the parents, godparents/sponsors, family members and friends of the candidate are requested to be in the Great Hall of the Church no later than one-half hour before the service is to begin. Baptisms are a part of the 10 am service, except for the Easter Eve service, which is at 6 pm. Only emergency Baptisms will be done outside of the Church. These Baptisms will be recognized later at a public celebration.

Requirements

Parents

At least one parent must be an active and participating member of the Saint Thomas congregation or some other Christian congregation. Parents reactivating or reaffirming their faith must be regular in attendance for at least three months prior to the Baptism.

Grandparents

may take on the spiritual parental role if they are directly active in the life of a child.

Godparents

must be baptized, actively practicing members of a Christian congregation. *A letter of certification is required from Rectors or Pastors and must be submitted along with the completed application form.*

Costs

Nonmembers

Nonmembers of St. Thomas will be required to make a minimal contribution of Seventy-five (\$75.00) to the parish.

Please complete this form, detach and return it to: Guild of the Christ Child

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Please print clearly as the certificates are completed from this form. Remember to include a letter from the Rector or Pastor for each godparent certifying that they are baptized, actively practicing members of their congregation along with this application.

Candidate's First Name: _____

Candidate's Middle Name: _____

Candidate's Last Name: _____

Male: ___ Female: ___ Birth Date: _____

Place of Birth: _____

City _____ State _____

Father's Full Name: _____

Mother's Full Name: _____

Contact Address: _____

Contact Phone: () _____

Email Address: _____

Godparent's or Sponsor's Full Name: _____

Address: _____

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Please list additional Godparents or Sponsors on back.