



St. Ignatius of Loyola Catholic Parish

Eligibility for a Christian Witness

Name of person to be Baptized: _____

Name of his/her parish: _____
Parish City/State

The Catholic Church requires one godparent to be a Baptized, Confirmed Catholic in good standing with the Catholic Church. In lieu of a second godparent, the Catholic Church also permits one other person to stand as a Christian Witness at Baptism.

Therefore, I _____ a baptized person in
the _____ Church, do affirm that
(state your denomination)

I attest the following (please check each following statement that applies):

_____ I am Baptized.

(Church of Baptism)

(Address of Church)

_____ I endeavor to live a good moral life in keeping with Gospel values.

Have you ever been baptized or officially received into full communion with the Catholic Church?
_____ YES _____ NO

(Signature) (Date)

(address) (phone) (email)

Please return at least two weeks prior to the baptism to:
St. Ignatius of Loyola Catholic Parish, 4103 Prices Distillery Road, Ijamsville, MD 21754

In lieu of one of the Catholic Godparents, the candidate, or his/her parents, may choose one Christian witness. This person must be baptized in a Christian faith whose baptism is recognized and accepted by the Catholic Church. This includes most of the "main line" Christian Churches (Episcopalian, Lutheran, Presbyterian, Baptist, Methodist). It does not include Mormons, Jehovah Witnesses, or The Salvation Army. Also, those who are non-Christians (Jews, Muslims, Buddhists, Hindus, etc.) may not stand as Christian witnesses.

If you have questions about your eligibility to be a godparent, sponsor or Christian witness, please do not hesitate to contact Rev. Patrick Carrion, at pcarrion@archbalt.org.