

The Sacrament of Baptism is a joyful encounter between God and the Church, providing the opportunity for families to gather together in prayerful celebration with their infants around the waters of new life.

Since 1994, the Catholic Faith Community of The Shrine of Our Lady of Pompeii has encouraged families to have their child (ren) baptized at a parish and then to make a pilgrimage to the Shrine for a special ceremony of dedication to the Blessed Virgin Mary.

The Shrine has encouraged parents to receive the Sacrament of Baptism at their parish because it provides the best environment for the Catholic upbringing of children. Adapted from the Roman Catholic Book of Blessings, the ceremony of dedication to the Madonna of Pompeii offers a unique opportunity for families to celebrate the Italian heritage that exists at The Shrine of Our Lady of Pompeii.

The Shrine has been given limited permission by the Archbishop of Chicago to celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism. And so, in the event of a sacramental encounter of this nature, we ask that the following requirements be observed on the opposite page.



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Guidelines for Infant Baptism

† Times/Days for a Individual Baptism:

10:00, 11:00 a.m. Saturdays
9:45 a.m., 12:30 p.m. Sundays

† Times/Day for a Communal Baptism:

8:30, 11:00 a.m. Sundays

† Workshop on Rite of Baptism:

Old St. Patrick's Roman Catholic Church

Complete Registration Form attached

† Shrine Baptismal Information Sheet:

See attachment

† Sponsorship Letter/Note:

Obtain a form from parish indicating that Godparents are in good standing with the church

† Parishioners:

For couples who are registered parishioners, please notify your parish and inform sacramental coordinator of intention to baptize child at Pompeii. And, also ask for letter of permission as well.

† Offerings:

Please call shrine office to inquire about related fees.