



Queen of All Saints Basilica

6280 North Sauganash Avenue • Chicago, Illinois 60646

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Dear Parents:

On behalf of all of us here at Queen of All Saints Basilica, I want to offer you our warmest congratulations on the upcoming baptism of your child. You have chosen to share the Catholic faith with your child and incorporate him/her into the Body of Christ, the Church. That is the source of great joy for your family and for this parish.

Through the sacrament of Baptism your child will receive the gift of God's grace. With your help and good example your child will grow in that grace and holiness. As a parish, we want you to know that we support you in this important role and will assist you in any way we can. Please do not hesitate to call on us if there is anything we can do.

Also, included here is a list of the archdiocesan requirements for the day of the baptism. Please take the time to review the list and let us know if you have any questions. Each family must provide a list of attendees on the attached form.

Finally, in response to the many questions we receive, most families like to offer between \$50 and \$100 as a donation to the parish at this important moment of passage for their child. This, of course, is not required, but merely a suggestion and kind gesture of appreciation.

Again, congratulations and God bless you.

Rev. Braganza

Father Simon Braganza
Pastor



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BAPTISM DAY REQUIREMENTS

Please review the following directives from the Archdiocese of Chicago. These are set out to make sure all in attendance remain safe and healthy during the baptism.

- The door to enter is the northwest covered door of the church. The doors will open 15 minutes before the scheduled time of baptism.
- All attendees must wear masks except children under 2 years of age.
- If anyone is ill who planned to attend, have them stay home.
- Sanitize your hands before coming and avoid touching surfaces as much as possible.
- A maximum of 20 attendees are allowed per family which includes the parents and the baby(ies) baptized.
- Please keep socially distanced by household and enter the designated pews as marked or directed.
- Pictures may be taken during the ceremony with minimal movement and masks must remain on. No pictures may be taken before or after the ceremony. The families will need to move outside to take pictures.

Finally, please have a list of all attendees and their phone numbers to hand over to the volunteer helping with the baptism. We are required to keep a list of all who attend any Mass or function held on our premises.



Be Safe!
Be Smart!
Be Healthy!

PLEASE NOTE: As required by the Illinois Department of Public Health and for contact tracing purposes, please notify the rectory if any of your attendees test positive for COVID-19 within two weeks of attending the baptism in the basilica. Any and all personal information will be kept strictly confidential.

