Baptism for Children
over 6 years only through RCIC

Parents and Children come together for two years to learn about the church and Faith. At the end of the second year, child will receive Baptism, First Communion and Confirmation (the three Initiation Rites if the child is ready). For more Information, please contact the Faith Formation office at (310)326-3364 Ext. 14

St. Margaret Mary Alacoque Catholic Church

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Parish Office Hours

Monday – Friday
9am-12pm and 1pm-4pm

Saturday
9am-12pm

We are grateful that you are desiring to have your child baptized here at St. Margaret Mary Church! After life itself, the gift of baptism is the greatest gift you can give to your child. Through Baptism, your child receives sanctifying grace and becomes a member of the Mystical Body of Christ. Thank you for desiring to give your child the greatest of all gifts!

In baptism, you, as parents, give your child the great gift of supernatural life, and you make the commitment of raising your child in the faith. Only parents or legal guardians may request baptism. In order to receive infant baptism, the child must be under the age of six. If the child is above the age of six, he or she may participate in the Rite of Christian Initiation for Children with Faith Formation at (310)326-3364 ext.14

It is the role of the godparents (also called Sponsors) to help their godchild to grow in the faith, that is, to come to know the faith and to live it. The godparents assist you, you parents, in forming your child in the faith. The godparents are to be guides and models for you child.

- Be at least 18 years of age
- Have received all the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, First Communion, and Confirmation)
- Must be a practicing Catholic. A practicing Catholic is someone who attends Holy Mass every Sunday and Holy Day of Obligation; someone who, if married, in the Catholic Church, and lives in harmony with the teachings and practices of the Church.

A child may have at most two godparents: one godfather and one godmother, that is, one male and one female (they need not to be married to one another). It is possible to have only one godparent, but there cannot be more than two.

Baptism Dates

Baptisms are held in a group of up to ten children. English baptisms are held usually first Saturday of most months at 10am.

Session One:

Welcome and Interview

Date:_____Time:_____

Room:_____

Parents only. Please make arrangements for childcare. You will be meeting with Deacon Dan to turn in the registration form and all required documents at this time.

*Every Second Thursday of the month (by appointment only)

Session Two:

Catechesis

Date:_____Time: 7pm

Room: Inside Church

Parents and godparents. If godparents are unable to attend SMMC catechesis they must attend a pre-baptism class in their own parish and provide a letter of completion.

*Every 3rd Thursday of the month.

Child's Name

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Required Items:

- ☐ $50 Donation
- ☐ Child's Birth Certificate
- ☐ Godfather's Confirmation Certificate
- ☐ Godmother's Confirmation Certificate
- ☐ If Married, Marriage Certificate through the Catholic Church from godparents

The Baptism Date is scheduled when all classes and requirements have been received

Our Commitment

We understand that the Priest or Deacon will not baptize our child if: we have not provided all the require items or attended pre-baptism classes (parents and godparents).

Parent's Signature

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Date:_____