

# Our Lady of Wisdom Godparent Certification Form

(This form must be completed and on file prior to the Baptism).

Dear Baptismal Sponsor:

When a parent chooses you as a Baptismal Sponsor (Godparent), it means you are thought of as a very special Catholic. Being called to be a Godparent is not merely a choice because of family ties or friendship rewards. The call to be a Godparent bears the responsibility of giving a spiritual example to your Godchild of how to live out the Catholic faith in every day life.

As a confirmed adult Catholic, you are a guide and model of how a mature Catholic should live. By being faithful to God's law, being active in the life of the parish, participating in Mass every Sunday, and living the Gospel values, you offer tremendous personal support to parents who commit themselves, in the Baptism, to faithfully pass on the Catholic faith to their child.

Therefore, it is important that you prayerfully consider the serious responsibility you take on as a Godparent. If you are unable to live up to the Catholic ideals expected of a Godparent, you may wish to decline this responsibility.

I, \_\_\_\_\_  
(Godparent's Name -- Printed)

of \_\_\_\_\_  
(Godparent's Church Parish -- Printed)

accept the invitation to be Godparent to \_\_\_\_\_  
(Child's Name -- First, Middle and Last -- Printed)

for the Sacrament of Baptism at Our Lady of Wisdom Church in Lafayette, Louisiana.

I affirm that I am a baptized and confirmed Catholic, living my Catholic faith and that I am in good standing (able to receive the sacraments) within the Catholic Church.

I understand that I am called to serve as a companion, guide and role model to my Godchild, through my own example and witness in the Church.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of Godparent) \_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)

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## Pastor's Certification

This is to certify that \_\_\_\_\_ is in good standing in this parish and that he/she meets the requirements for being a Godparent.

Parish: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Pastor's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_