

**CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF SOUTH BALTIMORE**

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**ELIGIBILITY FOR A CHRISTIAN WITNESS**

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 denomination)

I (please check each following statement that applies):

\_\_\_\_\_ am Baptized

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Church of Baptism)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(address of Church )

\_\_\_\_\_ 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:  
Catholic Community of South Baltimore, 110 E West Street, Baltimore, MD 21230

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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](mailto:pcarrion@archbalt.org).