



CHRISTIAN WITNESS

Requirements

**Before you choose a Christian Witness, be sure they are qualified.
The conditions are listed below.**

A Christian Witness:

1. Must be mature enough to undertake this responsibility.
2. **Must be Baptized** in a non-Catholic denomination that recognizes a Trinitarian Baptism (in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit).
3. Must be not less than 16 years of age.
4. Must know the fundamental truths of the Faith embraced and and sees to the religious instruction of his/her family.
5. Must not be the father or mother of the one baptized or confirmed.

Requirements for a proxy of a Christian Witness (someone who stands in for the Christian Witness if they are unable to be at the ceremony) are the same as those listed above, with the exception of number five.

Being a Christian Witness is not just an honor given to a good friend or relative. To be a sponsor or godparent means having a real appreciation of the Christian faith, a practice of the same, and a sense of responsibility toward the person being baptized or confirmed.

You may also have a Christian Witness who can be a second sponsor for an Infant Baptism in addition to the Catholic Godparent. They must be a practicing Christian in a church that believes in the Sacrament of Baptism and the Trinitarian Formula. If you have any questions concerning your choice of Godparent, contact Melissa Hernandez at mhernandez@saintanne.org for clarification.

I have read the above qualifications, and am prepared to take on the responsibility of Christian Witness. It is my position to represent the Family of God to the best of my ability.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Printed Name: _____

Denomination of Witness: _____ The child I am representing is: _____

Please return this form to Melissa Hernandez.

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