

BEING A GODPARENT- A GREAT HONOR...

BUT ALSO A GREAT RESPONSIBILITY!

Congratulations on becoming a godparent to a very special child! Being chosen is an honor, and says a lot about the parents' perception of you. A godparent serves a special role for the one to be baptized. Godparents are to represent the Christian Catholic community, the Church. In addition, godparents are to assist the child's parents in raising their child in the Catholic faith, so that the child may profess and live it as an adult.

GOD PARENTING IS A SACRED VOCATION!

A vocation is a calling, an appeal to live something out in your life. These parents are calling you to be something special to their child; to set an example, help teach their child about the Catholic faith, have a lifelong relationship of prayer, faith sharing and love. Before accepting this invitation, take some time to pray and reflect on your ability to do this. The best gift you can give your godchild is to be a good witness who loves and practices their faith!

CANON LAW REQUIREMENT FOR GODPARENTS

- Is at least 16 years of age
- Is a practicing Catholic in good standing
- Has received the sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist & Confirmation