

Dear Parents

Congratulations on the birth of your child and asking to have him/her baptized.

The sacrament of Baptism cleanses us from Original Sin, unites us with Jesus Christ, and makes us heirs to heaven. Baptism is also a covenant, a promise that you will raise your child Catholic and help him/her grow in friendship with Christ.

It is important that you understand the spiritual obligations that your child's baptism will place on you. Therefore, the parish requires you to complete our baptism preparation program. It provides you with the opportunity to learn why we baptize, what baptism is, and what the effects and obligations that go along with it are. It will help you answer "Yes" to the promises you will make at your child's baptismal ceremony.

Attached you will find instructions to access Reborn, the questionnaires for you and your child's godparents, and the Testimony of Designated Godparent. After viewing the videos, please complete the questionnaires. Each Godparent is to complete it and have their pastor or his designated sign it. Once all paperwork is complete, please submit it along with your child's birth certificate to choose a date for Baptism.

The Sacrament of Baptism is performed on the second and fourth Sundays of each month at 1:15 p.m. in English and 2:15 p.m. in Polish.

Yours in Christ,



Fr. Krzysztof Drybka

Parent Preparation

Instructions to access the sacramental preparation videos:

- formed.org/signup
- Search Saint Isidore Riverhead then click Next and create an account and enter your name, email address
- For “Reborn”, go to homepage, click STUDY, SACRAMENTAL PREPARATIONS, REBORN

Please view:

Episode 1: A New Creation: The Mystery of Mystery

Episode 2: Entering the Mystery: The rite Explained

Episode 3: Nurturing the Life of Grace: Called to Mission

Episode 5: The Gift of Godparents: More than Cards and Presents

QUESTIONNAIRE

Episode 1:

1. In the Old Testament, Baptism is prefigured. Match the event with its effect:

Crossing of the Red Sea washes the earth clean for Noah and his family to make a fresh start.
Baptism washes away Original Sin.

The Great Flood Israel passes from slavery to freedom through the waters of the sea,
just as the Christian passes from slavery to sin into new life in Christ in
the waters of Baptism

Crossing the Jordan River In passing through the waters of the Jordan, Israel enters into her
inheritance: the Promised Land. The waters of Baptism open up the way
for the Christian to receive the promised inheritance of eternal life.

2. The effects of Baptism include all the following except:

- A. Washes away the effects of Original Sin
- B. Fills your child with the Holy Spirit
- C. Insures your child will live in Heaven at the end of their life.
- D. Your child becomes a member of Christ’s church

3. What are the four primary effects of Baptism?

Episode 2:

4. Why does Baptism include a rite of exorcism?
5. Match the symbols used in Baptism with its meaning:

Water	Symbolizes that we are pure and clothed in Christ. A sign of Christian dignity.
Chrism	Reminds us that we share in the threefold ministry of Christ as priest, prophet, and king.
White Garment	Its cleansing power symbolizes that we are cleansed from sin.
Candle	Symbolizes that we receive the light of Christ.

Episode 3:

6. By virtue of baptism, every Christian is anointed to serve as priest, prophet, and King. Match the term with its definition:

King	total gift of self through prayer and worship
Priest	reveals God word and his plan of salvation.
Prophet	allows Christ to rule over our lives. We show how our children should lead their lives.
7. Why do you think it is important for you to choose Baptism for your child? What are some of the reasons you are choosing Baptism for your child?

Episode 5:

8. Who are your godparents? How have they impacted your faith? How do you see them impacting the faith of your child?

Godparent Preparation

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Episode 5: Reborn - The Gift of Godparents: More Than Cards & Presents

1. What role do you plan on playing in the life of your god child?
2. What are the duties of being a God parent
 - A. _____
 - B. _____
 - C. _____
3. During the Baptismal Rite you will be asked to do all of the following except"
 - A. Renounce sin
 - B. Baptize your godchild with holy water
 - C. Trace the sign of the cross on your god child's forehead