

*"Jesus answered,  
'Amen, amen, I say to  
you, no one can enter  
the kingdom of God  
without being born of  
water and Spirit.'"*

John 3:5



### For more information



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### ***Infants (Ages 0-6)***

For more information about Baptism  
Preparation for Infants - 6 Years old please  
contact the Parish Office.

Phone - 281.497.1500

Email - baptism@stjohnvianney.org

### ***Children 7 & Up***

Unbaptized children above the age of 6 are  
prepared for Baptism through the Order of  
Christian Initiation for Children (OCIC) and  
Faith Formation Classes (CCE) in a two year  
process. For details, contact Youth Formation:

Phone - 281.497.6665

Email - sacprep@stjohnvianney.org

### ***Adults***

Adults wishing to be baptized are prepared  
through the Order of Christian Initiation of  
Adults (OCIA). Sessions are held throughout  
the year.

For details, contact Adult Formation.

Phone - 281.584.2022

Email - ygill@stjohnvianney.org

# *Baptism*

## SAINT JOHN VIANNEY

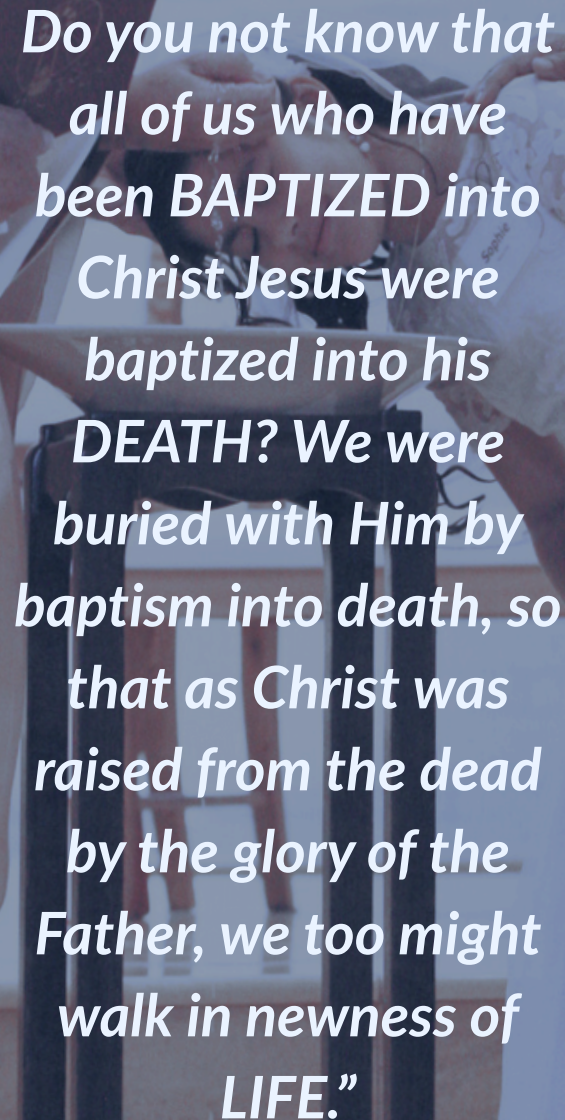
### CATHOLIC CHURCH



# Preparation

- Parents should be registered members of St. John Vianney Catholic Church for 6 months and active participants in the Catholic Faith.
- There are two required preparation classes which must be attended by both parents.
- Upon successful completion of both classes, parents may schedule the baptism celebration.
- The baptism of children from infancy to six years of age is generally celebrated on Sunday afternoons. There are no “private” baptisms.
- Baptismal classes are offered in both English and Spanish.
- The nursery is available for those registered in baptism classes (ages 6 months - 5 years)

*“The person baptized is incorporated into the Church and made sharer in the priesthood of Christ.” ~CCC 127*



*Do you not know that  
all of us who have  
been BAPTIZED into  
Christ Jesus were  
baptized into his  
DEATH? We were  
buried with Him by  
baptism into death, so  
that as Christ was  
raised from the dead  
by the glory of the  
Father, we too might  
walk in newness of  
LIFE.”*

*Romans 6:3-4; Colossians  
2:12*

# Godparents

- One or two persons may be chosen as godparents for Baptism (if two are chosen one must be male and the other female)
- Godparents must be 16 years of age and a fully initiated, actively practicing Catholic (celebrated Baptism, Confirmation, and Holy Eucharist). If married, God parents must be married in the Catholic Church
- Godparents are encouraged to attend baptism preparation classes at St. John Vianney or their own parish. A certificate of completion or a letter of good standing must be presented.
- A non-Catholic Christian may serve as a Christian Witness along with a Catholic who will be a Godparent.
- An unbaptized person cannot serve as a Godparent or a Christian Witness

# The Ceremony

- The Rite of Baptism is regularly celebrated in the Ars Chapel unless otherwise noted.
- Parents and Godparents should arrive at least 15 minutes prior to the beginning of the liturgy.
- Infants must wear white for the liturgy
- The parish provides the baptismal candle, and no other items need to be purchased.
- Parents and Godparents are expected to dress appropriately.
- Photos and/or videos of the ceremony may be taken from the pews. Family and friends should not leave the pew. Time for photos will be allotted after the baptismal celebration has concluded.
- Religious articles can be blessed following the ceremony.