

# St. Paul the Apostle Godparent Guidelines

## **Expectation**

Godparents, together with the parents, present an infant at Baptism. They will help the baptized lead a Christian life in harmony with the Sacrament of Baptism and to fulfill faithfully the obligations connected with it.

## **Number**

Only ONE male and ONE female may serve as Godparents. You may not have two Godmothers or two Godfathers. You may choose to have only one Godparent.

## **Qualifications**

1. Be at least 16 years old.
2. Is not the father or mother of the one being baptized.
3. Is a Catholic who has been baptized, received First Holy Communion and made his/her Confirmation.
4. Leads a life in harmony with the faith and the role to be undertaken.
5. Is a registered and active member of a Catholic parish.
6. Is in good standing with the Catholic Church, which means:
  - A. If married, the marriage occurred in a Catholic Church
  - B. If divorced, is not remarried.
  - C. If single, is not living with someone with whom he/she is not married