

Instructions for Online Baptismal Preparation for Parents

Hello,

Thank you for inquiring about Baptismal Preparation at Saint Timothy!

Here is the process for online preparation for parents:

- 1. Set up an account on Formed.org (if you do not already have one). Here's how to set up an account.
 - a. https://formed.org/
 - b. Click on Sign up on the upper right
 - c. Click on "Click on "Sign up as a parishioner"
 - d. In the next search window, type in the name of your parish or your parish's Zip code (if registering under St Timothy, use 33558 for the Zip Code and select St Timothy, Lutz.)
 - e. On the next screen, type in your name and email address.
 - f. Formed.org will then send you a link to log into your account. Click on the link. You are now logged in to Formed.org
- 2. Please watch Session 1 of the Reborn Baptismal Preparation series located at https://watch.formed.org/reborn/season:1/videos/a-new-creation-the-mystery-of-baptism.
- 3. Please answer the following questions in an email to Joe Nieves, joe@sainttims.org
 - a. Ezekiel 36:25–26 says, "I will sprinkle clean water upon you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. A new heart I will give you, and a new spirit I will put within you." What do you think it means to have a new heart and a new spirit through Baptism?
 - b. Which type of Baptism in the Old Testament caught your attention the most? Why? Did any of those types of Baptism come as a surprise to you?
 - c. Why do you desire Baptism for your child? What is your deepest desire for your child in Baptism?

- 4. Watch session 2 of the Reborn series by clicking on the link below: https://watch.formed.org/reborn/season:1/videos/entering-the-mystery-the-rite-explained. This video is about 25 minutes.
- 5. Please watch https://www.youtube.com/watch?time continue=1&v=VqigCfhAMPY&feature This video is about six minutes and explains the role of a godparent.
- 6. Please answer the following questions in an email to Joe Nieves, joe@sainttims.org.
 - a. What was something about the Rite that stood out to you?
 - b. Baptism gives us and indelible seal (CCC 1272). This indelible seal marks us as belonging to God, and nothing can change or erase the seal of Baptism. What does it mean to be marked as belonging to Christ? Why is it important to you that your child or godchild be marked by this seal now?
 - c. Do you know your Godparents? What type of role did they play in your life?
 - d. What type of role would you like the Godparents of your child to have in his/her life?

You can combine the answers to all questions one email. I hope the lessons were helpful!

Please let us know if you have any questions!

God bless,

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