## ST. JOHN - ST. PAUL COLLABORATIVE BAPTISMAL REQUEST INSTRUCTIONS

"The Christian community welcomes you with great joy."

These are the words of the priest at the beginning of Baptism, so it is fitting for the community to be gathered to welcome these new Christians. As such, baptisms are celebrated communally at the St. John-St. Paul Collaborative, either together with other families or with the parish community at Mass.

Communal Baptisms (with up to four babies) are celebrated on the 1st Sunday of the month at St. Paul, and on the 2nd Sunday of the month at St. John, at 1:30pm. A baptism (with one family) may also be celebrated at a regularly scheduled Sunday 9:00am Family Mass with the parish community

### Preparation

A baptismal preparation meeting is required for all parents who have not had a child baptized previously. The preparation is required for both parents. It is recommended but not required for the godparents to attend.

## **Godparents**

The mission of the godparent is, with the parents, to present the child for Baptism. They are to help the parents of the child in passing on the practice of the Catholic faith by helping the child grow in his or her relationship with Jesus Christ, in understanding of the beliefs of the Catholic faith, and in familiarity the rituals, prayers, and practices that accompany those beliefs.

A child to be baptized must have at least one godparent, but may have two - one godfather and one godmother. According to the universal law of the Church, to be admitted to the role of a godparent, a person must be Catholic, at least 16 years of age, have received the Sacrament of Confirmation, and not be the father or the mother of the one to be baptized. A baptised non-Catholic Christian may participate as a Christian Witness to the baptism in addition to a Catholic godparent.

## Requesting Baptism for Your Child

To request baptism for your child, please complete the form on the following page and return it to us as soon as possible, **but ordinarily no later than one month prior to the requested Baptism date.** 

(Please Note: The Baptismal Request Form is a fillable PDF form. It can be filled in online, saved, and then emailed or printed. Alternatively, the blank form can be printed out and filled in by hand.)

To request a **Sunday 1:30pm Baptism**, please select the church (*St. Paul or St. John*) and let us know your preferred date (*be sure to choose a 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month for St. Paul or a 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month for St. John.*)

A Baptism is celebrated at the Family Mass at each parish generally once a month, with one family baptism per Mass. If you would like to celebrate your child's Baptism with the parish community at a **Sunday 9:00am Family Mass**, please select the church (*St. Paul or St. John*) and let us know your preferred dates/date range. Once we receive your form we will contact you to discuss available dates.

**Completed forms** may be emailed to Anne Mears, *Collaborative Pastoral Care Coordinator*, at <a href="mailto:anne.mears@sjspwellesley.org">anne.mears@sjspwellesley.org</a>, or brought/mailed to the parish office:

St. John the Evangelist Parish | 39 Washington St. | Wellesley, MA 02481

St. Paul Parish | 502 Washington St. | Wellesley, MA 02482

Once we receive your Baptismal Request Form we will contact you to discuss baptismal preparation and confirm the requested date.

## **Saint John the Evangelist Parish**

39 Washington St. Wellesley, MA 02481 781-235-0045

Baptisms are celebrated at St. John Church at **1:30pm** on the **2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday** of the month. Baptisms may also be celebrated with the parish community at a **Sunday 9:00am Family Mass**.

☐ Recorded in Sacramental Book



#### **Saint Paul Parish**

502 Washington St. Wellesley, MA 02482 781-235-1060

Baptisms are celebrated at St. Paul Church at **1:30pm** on the **1<sup>st</sup> Sunday** of the month. Baptisms may also be celebrated with the parish community at a **Sunday 9:00am Family Mass**.

# **BAPTISMAL REQUEST FORM**

Sunday 1:30pm  Requested Date:  For St. Paul choose a 1st Sunday  For St. John choose a 2nd Sunday  Name of Child:  Last Name			Sunday 9:00am Family Mass Requested Date/Date Range:						
			First Name				Middle Name		
Gender:	Male	<b>.</b>	Data of Birth	_		Place			
Gender.	iviale	Female	Date of Birth	:		Flace.	City, ST		
Father:							Religion	:	
		Last Name		First Nam	e	Middle		•	
Mother:							Religion	ı••	
		ent Last Name	·	Current First Na	me	Current Middle	_ 1.0.181011		
	Curr	circ Last Ivallic							
Mother's I	<b>Maiden Na</b> al records refle	me:	Last Name ( ames at birth.						le Name <i>at birth</i> Yes No
Mother's I  Note: Baptism  Vere you ma	Maiden Na al records reflec	me: et the parents' no e Catholic C	Last Name of ames at birth.  hurch (or with the	ne permission of t	the Chu	First Name	er denomina	tion?)	Yes No
Mother's I  Note: Baptism  Vere you ma  Date of M	Maiden Na al records reflec arried in the arriage:	me: ct the parents' no e Catholic C	Last Name of ames at birth. hurch (or with th	ne permission of t	the Chu	rch to marry in anoth	er denominat	tion?)	Yes No ST:
Mother's I  Note: Baptism  Vere you ma  Date of M  Home Addre	Maiden Na al records reflect arried in the arriage:	me: et the parents' no e Catholic C	Last Name of ames at birth.  hurch (or with th Church:	ne permission of t	the Chu	rch to marry in anoth	er denominat	ST:	Yes No ST: Zip:
Mother's I  Note: Baptism  Vere you ma  Date of Ma  Home Addre  Home Pho	Maiden Na al records reflect arried in the arriage: one:	me: et the parents' no e Catholic C	Last Name of ames at birth.  hurch (or with the Church: Cell:	ne permission of t	the Chu	rch to marry in anoth	er denominat	ST:	Yes No ST: Zip:
Mother's I  Note: Baptism  Vere you ma  Date of M  Home Addre  Home Pho  Godfather:	Maiden Na al records reflect arried in the arriage:  ss: one:	me:	Last Name of ames at birth.  hurch (or with th Church:	ne permission of t	ity:	rch to marry in anoth Email: Religion: _	er denominat	ST: :	Yes No ST: Zip:
Mother's I  Note: Baptism  Nere you ma  Date of M  Home Addre  Home Pho  Godfather:  A child to be bap  Church, to be accepted.	Maiden Na al records reflect arried in the arriage:  ss: one: otized must he the mother of	me:  It the parents' note Catholic Co	Last Name of ames at birth.  hurch (or with the Church: Cell: cell: ce godparent, but no arent, a person m	may have two - out to be Catholic, a	ity:	rch to marry in anoth	er denominat	ST:	Yes No ST: Zip: iversal law of the f Confirmation, and i
Mother's I  Note: Baptism  Nere you ma  Date of M  Home Addre  Home Pho  Godfather:  A child to be bap  Church, to be ach  to the father or  a Catholic godpo	Maiden Na al records reflect arried in the arriage:  ss: one: otized must he limitted to the the mother of arent.	me:  ct the parents' no  e Catholic C  ave at least on role of a godp f the one to be	Last Name of ames at birth.  hurch (or with the Church: Cell: e godparent, but represent, a person me baptized. A baptis	may have two - out to be Catholic, a	ne godf Christia	rch to marry in anoth  Email: Religion: Religion: ather and one godmo 16 years of age, have	er denominat  City:  ther. According received the second the s	ST:	Yes No ST: Zip: iversal law of the f Confirmation, and i
Mother's I  Note: Baptism  Nere you ma  Date of M  Home Addre  Home Pho  Godfather:  A child to be bap  Church, to be an  be the father or  a Catholic godpo  For Parish Off	Maiden Na al records reflect arried in the arriage: one: otized must he the mother of arent. Gice Use:	the parents' note Catholic Confirmed	Last Name of ames at birth.  hurch (or with the Church: Cell: e godparent, but represent, a person me baptized. A baptis	may have two - or ust be Catholic, ased non-Catholic	ne godfat least : Christia	Email:Religion:Religion:	ther. According teceived the a Christian W	sT:	Yes No ST: Zip: iversal law of the f Confirmation, and i

☐ Sacrament complete in ParishSoft