

# **Guidelines for Parents Planning A Baptism for Their Child**

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Trinity Green Trails: 2701 Maple Avenue – Lisle, IL 60532

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## **Baptism Class**

Parents who wish to have their child(ren) baptized must take our Baptism class. The class is offered on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of every-other month from 9 –11:00 am. The class may be taken prior to a child being born, and is appropriate for any parent planning to bring their child to be baptized. For children four and older, an additional time to meet with parents and child will be arranged. Children are welcome at the class, as well as baptismal sponsors and grandparents. If a couple has previously taken the class, it is not necessary to repeat, unless desired. To register for the class or for more information about the class please call the church office (630-964-1272 x0 or x224).

\*Saturday class dates for 2012 are:

February 11

April 14

June 9

August 11

October 13

December 8

\*classes with no advance registrants (3 days prior to the class date) will be cancelled.

## **Scheduling a Baptism**

- To schedule a baptism parents must have completed or be registered to complete the class before the baptism date. In addition:
- Families who are not members must attend “Discover Trinity prior to the baptism.
- Baptisms are scheduled for any service on the first weekend of “odd numbered” months. Dates are listed on the back of this sheet.
- The attached baptism form must be completed and turned into the church office no later than two weeks prior to the planned baptism date.
- Please also complete the steps outlined on the attached “As you Prepare...” sheet.

## **Other Helpful Information**

- Baptisms are not scheduled until your paperwork is submitted. Some services have limited numbers of baptisms, and you may be asked to consider an alternate time. Contact the church office (630-964-1272) to be sure your date and time are set.
- If for some reason you have a change of information pertaining to the baptism sponsors, the number of guests you expect to attend the service, or a cancellation, please contact Trinity’s office (630-964-1272 x0 or x224) as soon as possible.
- On the day of the baptism, plan to arrive no later than 15 minutes prior to the service time. Check in with an usher or the pastor, who will offer any final instructions.
- Because the Baptism is part of the worship service, we ask that you not to take flash pictures in the service as it will interrupt worship. Please advise your friends and families of this. You are welcome to take as many photos as you wish following the service.

## **Baptism Dates and times Available for 2012\***

### **January**

1<sup>st</sup> – 9:00, 10:45 Green Trails  
1<sup>st</sup> – 8:30, 10:00 Kimberly Way

### **March**

3<sup>rd</sup> – 4:30 Kimberly Way  
3<sup>rd</sup> -- 5:00 Green Trails  
4<sup>th</sup> – 9:00, 10:45 Green Trails  
4<sup>th</sup> – 8:30, 10:00 Kimberly Way

### **May**

5<sup>th</sup> – 4:30 Kimberly Way  
5<sup>th</sup> – 5:00 Green Trails  
6<sup>th</sup> – 9:00, 10:45 Green Trails  
6<sup>th</sup> – 8:30, 10:00 Kimberly Way

### **June/July**

30<sup>th</sup> – 4:30 Kimberly Way  
30<sup>th</sup> – 5:00 Green Trails  
1<sup>st</sup> – 9:00, 10:45 Green Trails  
1<sup>st</sup> – 8:30, 10:00 Kimberly Way

### **September**

1<sup>st</sup> – 4:30 Kimberly Way  
1<sup>st</sup> – 5:00 Green Trails  
2<sup>nd</sup> – 9:00, 10:45 Green Trails  
2<sup>nd</sup> – 8:30, 10:00 Kimberly Way

### **November**

3<sup>rd</sup> – 4:30 Kimberly Way  
3<sup>rd</sup> – 5:00 Green Trails  
4<sup>th</sup> – 9:00, 10:45 Green Trails  
4<sup>th</sup> – 8:30, 10:00 Kimberly Way

# Sacrament of Baptism

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### **Family Information:**

Phone Numbers \_\_\_\_\_ Home  
\_\_\_\_\_ Work  
\_\_\_\_\_ Cell  
\_\_\_\_\_ eMail

Name of Child \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Place of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Present Family Address \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Full Name of Father \_\_\_\_\_

Full Name of Mother \_\_\_\_\_ (maiden) \_\_\_\_\_

Church Membership \_\_\_\_\_

Names & Ages of Child's Siblings \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

### **Baptism Information:**

Date of Baptism \_\_\_\_\_ Date attended baptism class \_\_\_\_\_

Service Time:

Trinity Kimberly Way  4:30pm  8:30am  10:00am

Trinity Green Trail  5:00pm  9:00am  10:45am

Sponsors  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Number of Guests and Visitors expected to attend the baptism \_\_\_\_\_

**Notes:** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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# As you prepare for your Child's baptism...

**As we plan for the upcoming baptism service we ask that you help us make it extra special for your child and family by doing the following:**

**1. Provide us with a photo of your child and one of your family:**

You can e-mail (best) your photos to [karin.kruppe@tlc4u.org](mailto:karin.kruppe@tlc4u.org), or send them to the church office or drop them off. We need the photos as soon as possible, at least a week in advance of the baptism. If you provide a "hard copy" of a photo it will be returned to you, if needed.

**What we will do with the photos:**

We will make a slide to project your child's image and your family's image on the screen during the weekend services – for the congregation to see how precious your child is and to "meet:" your family.

**2. Select a scripture passage that is especially meaningful and that you would like to use as a "life verse" for your child.**

As scripture has guided you and led you in your faith life, choose a verse that you would like to instill in your child as he/she grows in faith.

PLEASE submit the Bible verse when you submit the photo – by e-mail or in an envelope to Trinity's office.

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**3. Write a short statement using this formula as a guide. You will be asked to read/present your words during the baptism:**

\_\_\_\_\_, *from the moment you were born, we have known that you are a precious child's name gift from God. What a joy and privilege it is to be your parents. We desire to honor God by caring for you in body and min, and most importantly – to nurture your faith in Jesus.*

*Insert a sentence or two telling how you plan to nurture your child's faith:*

*We have chosen this scripture passage to help in guiding you as you grow (read verse):*

*What are your prayers for your child? Conclude by telling how you pray God will bless your child:*

***Please complete and bring this with you to read during the baptism***