



Dear Parents,

With great joy I welcome your family on a sacramental journey toward your child's Baptism at St. Peter Catholic Church. As a pastor, my greatest desire is to see your family enter into the very Life of the Most Blessed Trinity, offered to you through the Holy Catholic Church. It is through the Church's Sacrament of Baptism that we begin a true friendship with God and come to share in His own Divine Life. As your family makes this journey deeper into the Heart of God, it is a great opportunity to grow in your understanding of the teachings of the Church and to participate in the Sacraments more fervently. Please know that I and your entire parish family of St. Peter are making this sacred journey with you.

Every journey requires planning and preparation to ensure that we make it safely to our destination. Similarly, the Catholic Church has certain guidelines in place to keep us all on the right road to happiness with God forever. The way we stay on the right path is through following the Sacred Canons of the Church and the Diocesan Policy from our bishop. These rules are not intended to hurt or to hinder anyone from reaching our desired destination, which is union with Jesus through the Sacrament of Baptism. On the contrary, the Church lays down rules to ensure that your family has the greatest opportunity to enjoy friendship with God for all eternity.

As we begin this journey together, I ask that you trust the wisdom of the Church, and that you trust me, your spiritual father. If there are bumps or obstacles along the path, please do not give-in to discouragement, but rather turn to me and to your parish family for support along the way.

Be assured of my prayers and pastoral care for your family. I ask that you pray for me, your pastor, so that I might serve you in the humility and strength of the Lord Jesus.

Through the Intercession of St. Peter,

Fr. Mark P. Ledoux  
Pastor

