BAPTISM

Baptism Preparation Guidebook
A Guidebook for parishes to assist in the preparation and celebration of the Sacrament of Baptism and in the development, growth and sustainment of baptismal teams.

A Baptism Sourcebook
A flood of texts gathered for pondering by all the baptized. Taken from prose, poetry, hymnody, scripture and liturgical and patristic texts, this collection unfolds the mystery of baptism as an event that extends into every moment of life. Section titles suggest the richness of symbols and gestures of christening: election, faith and creed, water, naming, godparents, anointing, dressing, light, festivity and mission. Illustrations are by Southwest artist G.E. Mullan.

Rite of Baptism for Children (2 Copies)
In this Canadian edition of the Rite of Baptism for Children, every effort has been made to present the rites clearly, making all the alternatives given to the minister and participants easily available. A brief outline at the beginning of each celebration and a minimum of cross references make this book easy to use. This edition contains the complete rites for celebrating baptism within Mass and during Sunday celebrations in the absence of a priest. In addition to the celebrations contained in the rite of baptism for children, expanded models for the general intercessions, complete lectionary texts, and a rite of welcome for an adopted child who is baptized are provided. The 1980 Instruction on Infant Baptism and helpful pastoral notes are also included.

Children of Light: For Parents and Godparents - Pastoral Guide
This program offers a twofold preparation that is readily adaptable to different situations: a personal and family preparation at home and a community preparation in the parish.

Infant Baptism: A Parish Celebration
This book challenges everyone who prepared the liturgy of infant baptism to understand baptism, not as a private, hurried ritual, but one that is the action of the community that begets new believers and nurtures the faith of those it begets. Whether it is celebrated at the Sunday Eucharist or at a separate assembly, infant baptism is a parish celebration. See video #11.727.

Celebrating Your Child’s Baptism
In this booklet, you will find all the help you need to renew your understanding of the sacrament of baptism, to renew your commitment to Sunday Mass, and to renew your practice of daily prayer as a family.

Baptism: The Most Precious Gift: Complete Manual for Parent Preparation
Excellent and practical material for Baptism teams to help them in preparing parents for the baptism of a child. Material is given for leadership training sessions, and for actual sessions with parents. Blackline masters are also included which can be freely duplicated for letters, and booklets as well as the baptismal sessions themselves.
Your Child's Baptism  (Sample booklet to provide to parents)
AUTHOR:  Bernadette Gasslein  
PUBLISHER: Novalis (1994)
A beautifully illustrated text for parents preparing for the baptism of their child. The theology of baptism, as well as an explanation of the celebration of the sacrament itself are included. Questions are suggested which could serve as excellent points for the young couple or for group discussion.  ISBN: 2-89988-669-30.NOVA

Together at Baptism
Joseph Payne
An instruction in the sacrament and a preparation for the ceremony.  30.PAYN

The Godparent Book
Elaine Ramshaw  
Liturgy Training Publications
Godparents and godchildren share a special bond. In this book, the author offers suggestions for building a relationship with your godchildren through sharing the memories, thoughts, values, prayers, and the ordinary and extraordinary times and seasons of Christian life. This book offers an abundance of ideas for things to do with your godchild from before his or her baptism into adulthood.  30.RAMS

Baptism is a Beginning
Reproducible Handouts for Infant Baptism Preparation
Edited by Rebekah Rojcewicz  
Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Publications, 2009
Enhance your Infant Baptism Preparation process with these handsome, inviting and catechetically sound handouts. Print them from PDF files provided on the accompanying CD-ROM.  30.ROJCE

Catechesis and Mystagogy: Infant Baptism
AUTHOR:  Victoria Tufano, editor  
PUBLISHER: Tabor and LTP (1996)
The baptism of infants is a joyful event in every parish. How does a parish prepare, continue to unfold the implications of this event for its life of faith? Several scholars look at these questions and offer suggestions. Bulletin inserts are included which may be freely duplicated.  30.VARI
VIDEOS on BAPTISM IN O.R.E.

VID#: 14.200

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WELCOME TO THE CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY
This video will help the viewer understand the baptismal ritual as it stimulates confidence in their ability to impart Christian values to the newly baptized. GUIDE. LENGTH: 15 min. VID#: 14.202

14.203

VID#: 14.204

YOUR BABY'S BAPTISM
This video contains highlights from the rite of baptism for infants, with personal reflections from the parents and the priest. Parents will find this video not only educational but spiritually helpful. It introduces the symbols of baptism, gives an overview of the theology of the sacrament, and discusses the roles parents and community play in the life of the child. GUIDE. LENGTH: 20 min. VID#: 14.205

VID#: 14.206

INFANT BAPTISM: A GIFT TO THE COMMUNITY
PUBLISHED: Franciscan Communications
The story segment is a parable that explores what parents experience with the Church community when they bring their baby for Baptism. A father-and-son conflict over the family business reveals the dependence of child upon parent, a relationship that parallels our relationship to God. Other segments: witness segment, teaching segment, music video reflection. GUIDE. LENGTH: 33 min. VID#: 14.207

ADULT BAPTISM: EXPLORING ITS MEANING
PUBLISHED: Franciscan Communications
This video looks at the imagery surrounding the Sacrament of Baptism, part of the Church's rite of initiation for both adults and infants. The story segment looks at several slices of life, set against the rich imagery of water and the celebration of the Easter Vigil, to help viewers answer the question: What does it mean to be baptized? Other segments: witness segment, teaching segment and music video reflection. GUIDE. LENGTH: 31 min. DVD/VID#: 14.208

NEW BIRTH DAY CLUB PUBLISHED: St. Anthony Messenger Press
In Baptism we experience God's promise of being with us always. In celebration, the faith community, the sign of God's presence, initiates and welcomes us into membership in the Church. This spirited video tells the story of Charlie and his desire to become a member of a community, the New Birth Day Club. Through the building of a clubhouse and the initiation of Charlie into this neighbourhood club, the meaning of the symbols and gestures used in the rites of Baptism are explored. GUIDE. LENGTH: 15 min. VID#: 14.209
THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM PAST & PRESENT

Twenty Third Publications

Expert author Kathleen Chesto leads viewers through the development and history of each sacrament, starting from Hebrew times to post-Vatican II. Chesto offers an engaging presentation in language that is comprehensible and clear. Guide materials and the video presentation present Catholic adults with a better understanding of the valuable place of these sacraments in their lives today. GUIDE. 26 min. VID#: 14.210

BAPTISM: helping your child get the most out of life

(Café Series)
This flexible short course is designed to inform, inspire and stir discussion amongst parents. The course includes two sessions on video, a comprehensive leaders guide, Parent booklet, Godparent booklet. Each session lasts approximately 45 minutes (including a short time of sharing) and if necessary, can be incorporated into a single session. 14.211

ONE LORD, ONE FAITH, ONE BAPTISM

Diocese of Rockville Centre, NY

Join Rev. Nick Zientarski as he unpacks the true meaning of the Catholic sacrament of baptism. More than a one-time joyous celebration, baptizing your child is a commitment to a new life of faith, prayer, and service for your whole family in the Catholic Church. Fr. Nick explains what every parent needs to know, from the role of godparents and the profession of faith to the “exorcism” and the importance of ongoing faith formation. He is joined by three families, who share their own real-life joys and challenges of living out the grace of baptism at home in their “domestic church” and in their local parish communities. DVD# 14.212

VIDEOS IN LITURGY

Baptism: The Ancient Rite of Initiation According to Hippolytus

Rev. John Gallen

PUBLISHER: N.D. Pastoral Center

A non-professional acting out the way baptism was possibly celebrated in the early Church. Taken from a third century Church Document. For those studying liturgy and possibly considering baptism by total immersions. VID# 11.717

New Life - A Parish Celebrates Infant Baptism

PUBLISHER: Lit. Training Publications

This video is a documentary of baptism as it is celebrated at Sunday Eucharist. The core of the program is the Rite of Baptism; therefore the entire Mass is not shown. We see the greeting of the family at the door, the liturgy of the world, the renewal of baptismal promises, the full immersion in the baptismal waters, the sealing of the newly baptized with oil, the giving of the white garment and the candle, and the final blessing. We hear members of the parish express their support for the families, promising to nourish these newly baptized in a church that takes seriously its liturgy and its work for social justice. [See also “Infant Baptism: A Parish Celebration” by Timothy Fitzgerald # 11.093] 30 min. ISBN 0-7829-0548-X

VID # 11.727