BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS FOR BOTH PARENTS AND GODPARENTS

For Baptism preparation, St. William uses Ascension Press's <u>Belonging: Baptism in the Family of God</u> for pre-baptism instruction for parents and Godparents, along with the <u>Baptism Book</u>. There is a small fee for the on-line class. After paying the fee, both the parents and godparents should be able to access the course.

A Certificate of Completion of the Baptism Preparation Class, for each participant, must be provided to Director of Religious Education.

This instruction:

- 1. Helps parents become more aware of their Christian responsibilities.
- 2. Impresses upon parents the need to foster a home environment that will help a child grow as a Catholic Christian.
- 3. Emphasizes the communal aspects of the Sacrament of Baptism.
- 4. Explains the form and meaning of the ceremony skills required.
- 5. Gives basic understanding of the Sacrament of Baptism.

The Baptism Preparation Class only needs to be taken once by parents. Proof of completion of the class is kept by St. William and will not be necessary for additional children.

Adults and older children (7 and older) are welcomed into the Church through the RCIA program. Please contact the Director of Religious Education, Nancy Power, at 912-638-2651, or powernancy@comcast.net, regarding Baptism under this particular circumstance.