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Dear Parent(s),

Mary, Mother of the Church Parish rejoices with you on the new life the Lord has given you and we are happy that you have chosen to share the Catholic Faith with your new child.

The enclosed materials are designed to assist you in the process of welcoming your child into the Catholic Faith:

- “Celebration of Baptism” which explains the process of preparing for the Sacrament of Baptism at Mary, Mother of the Church.
- “Godparents at the Baptism of an Infant” which we ask you to read and then send to your godparents. Please note the need to have their pastors affirm they are practicing members of their parish.

* **Catholic godparents** must complete the “Baptismal **Sponsor** Affirmation Statement.”

* **Non-Catholic godparents** must complete the “Baptismal **Witness** Affirmation Statement.”

You are asked to participate in two sessions which meet according to the dates and times indicated. The Sunday morning session is directed by members of the parish who are parents and who find meaning in our Catholic Faith. They are not “experts” in theology but are “experts” in what it means to be a family of faith in the midst of the real challenges of our society. I believe you will learn much from them about Baptism and the art of Christian parenting. They will also provide ample time for discussion of the issues presented.

I will lead the presentation for the Monday evening class. I look forward to our Monday session and also for the opportunity to meet with you at a more personal level at the time of our follow-up meeting. If you have any questions or concerns about the process of preparation or the celebration of the Sacrament please do not hesitate to contact me at any time: 788-5483 ext. 7.

Yours in Christ,

Rev. Brian D. Konopa