



# St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church

## Christian Witness Form

### Congratulations!

You have been asked to be a Christian witness for an upcoming baptism at St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church. We ask you to reflect on your responsibilities as a witness and fill out this commitment form.

Please return this form to our parish by mail or email as soon as possible to Erin Johnson, Database Manager (erin@sfxstillwater.org). It must be submitted no later than 10 days before the celebration of baptism.

### Role of a Christian Witness

To serve in this role is both an honor and an awesome responsibility, as it calls one to draw even deeper into the heart of Christ to gain wisdom in guiding the spiritual life of the child in the ways of Christ and His Church. The Christian witness, together with the Catholic godparent, must be willing to help the baptized grow in love for Christ and neighbor. By word and example, the godparent will encourage the candidate to live the Christian life and fulfill faithfully the obligations connected with it (cf. Code of Canon Law, c. 872). We thank you for your support and pray earnestly for the unity of all Christians.

**Person to be Baptized:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parents:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Full Name of Christian Witness:** \_\_\_\_\_

I am currently a participating member of \_\_\_\_\_ (church)

in \_\_\_\_\_ (city) (state)

### Please check ALL that apply:

\_\_\_\_ I am at least 16 years of age and not the parent of the child to be baptized.

\_\_\_\_ I was baptized at \_\_\_\_\_ church,

in the \_\_\_\_\_ faith tradition.

\_\_\_\_ I understand the responsibility I am undertaking and I promise to give my support to the godchild and to his/her parents by my prayers and by the example of my faith practiced in my daily life.

Christian Witness Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_