

# Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of Toronto and Eastern Canada

## Holy Protection of The Blessed Virgin Mary Ukrainian Catholic Church

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### INTERVIEW BEFORE THE RECEIVING HOLY SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

*(infants and children version)*

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**B**efore the Holy Baptism of any child both or at least one of the Parents must be interviewed by the Pastor of the Parish and this interview must and will stay confidential. The Parents may not delegate a third party, i.e. a relative or a friend, to be interviewed in their place. During the interview, Pastor shall stress the importance of the Parents' understanding, knowledge and commitment to the Christian, Orthodox (read: Righteous), Catholic (read: Universal) Faith and the implications this has on the religious formation of their child. An essential sign of such basic, parental understanding and commitment is regular attendance at the Divine Worship and active support of their Parish Church. In other words, parents' membership in the Christ's Church shall be a point of the Parents' most serious reflection, so that this bestowing of God's grace upon their offspring should truly bring a living, growing and developing grace in a young heart and soul and not just be an empty and meaningless ritual.

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IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER AND THE SON AND THE HOLY SPIRIT. AMEN.

Baptisand's Name in full \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Place of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Baptism: \_\_\_\_\_ Ukrainian or English to be used? \_\_\_\_\_

Father's Name in full \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's Maiden Name in full \_\_\_\_\_

Their Complete Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Father's Religion: \_\_\_\_\_ Mother's Religion \_\_\_\_\_

Do they belong to this Parish? \_\_\_\_\_

If parents do not belong to this Parish, complete the following: Parish they belong to, Name and Address:

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Name of their Pastor: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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**N**ote: Parent who do not belong to the Parish in which they desire their child to be baptised must obtain a letter from their Pastor verifying their membership in said Parish and granting permission for the Holy Sacrament of Baptism to take place elsewhere. This letter then shall be attached to this interview. The failure to submit such letter will be a serious impediment for baptism of the child but it will not disqualify it. It should be to Pastor's discretion and scrupulous investigation of the particular circumstances to determine a validity of this application for administering the Holy Sacrament of Baptism.

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Godfather's Name in full: \_\_\_\_\_ His Religion: \_\_\_\_\_

Godmother's Name in full: \_\_\_\_\_ Her Religion: \_\_\_\_\_

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**N**ote: Since Godparents shall take an active role in helping and guiding their Godchild in rudiments and truths of Christian Faith and Ethics, both of them must be practising Catholics, registered as members of this or another Parish. If the Godparents belong to another Parish, they must obtain a letter from their Pastor verifying such membership. These letters shall then be attached to this interview.

For the Baptism Parents must provide a baptismal cloth called in Ukrainian: "kryzhmo"-white piece of cloth about the size of receiving blanket. There is also a custom for Godparents to provide a neck cross and/or an icon.

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**SIGNATURE(S) OF THE PARENT(S) INTERVIEWED:**

FATHER: \_\_\_\_\_ MOTHER: \_\_\_\_\_

Given this day \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_,

at Holy Protection of The Blessed Virgin Mary Ukrainian Catholic Church,  
in the City of Burlington, Ontario.

PASTOR: \_\_\_\_\_