

Preparing for Your Child's Baptism

with *Reborn*

Prepare parents for their child's Baptism using this pathway, which explores content from *Reborn*. Lead participants through the deep beauty and meaning of the Baptismal rite, and equip parents to understand and live out their role as the primary formators in their child's faith life.

AT GLANCE

Sessions	3
Content Runtime	1hr 30min
Liturgical Season	Any
Content	Reborn
Content Language	English
Offerings	Spanish

WHAT PARTICIPANTS WILL LEARN

- Understand the scriptural basis for the sacrament of Baptism
- Understand the rite of Baptism, its essential role in our salvation, and its effects on our souls.
- Recognize the roles and responsibilities of parents in guiding the newly baptized in Christian life

WAYS TO RUN THIS PATHWAY

Morning Retreat	4-hour morning retreat
Weekly Sessions	Three 90 minute sessions
Watch at Home	One 60 minute in-person session

PATHWAYS RESOURCES

Video Content

- Ep. 1: A New Creation: The Mystery of Baptism
- Ep. 2: Entering the Mystery: The Rite Explained
- Ep. 3 Nurturing the Life of Grace: Called to Mission

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

- What Catholics Believe About Baptism
- Gateway from Death to Life
- What is Baptism?



Pathway Resources

See all pathway information and materials on the Formed Resource Center

- Videos
- Discussion Materials
- Additional Support

SUGGESTED PREPARATION RESOURCES

- Evangelization Through Baptism: A Catechist Training for *Reborn*

Video Content

Episode 1. A New Creation: The Mystery of Baptism | Reborn

39 minutes

To understand the wonder of Baptism, we must go all the way back to creation itself and the unique, life-giving place of water and new life shown there. From there, we watch the story of Baptism in salvation history unfold, first in the nation of Israel and culminating in the work of Jesus and his Apostles. The stage is set for this very moment in time: the moment when each individual is baptized and brought into newness of life, fellowship with God, and the community of faith. This is the beginning of a new life and a new creation.

Episode 2. Entering the Mystery: The Rite Explained | Reborn

25 minutes

Each prayer and action in the Rite of Baptism is filled with spiritual significance, beauty, and grace. Here we see that Baptism isn't something happens on the outside alone, but changes us on the inside. Entering the Mystery walks step-by-step through the Rite of Baptism to reveal how God's love and grace is at work in the baptized and in the lives of parents and godparents. By understanding more clearly what's happening, we'll have a greater appreciation for why Baptism takes us further into a life-changing relationship with God.

Episode 3. Nurturing the Life of Grace: Called to Mission | Reborn

26 minutes

Baptism is only the beginning. Parents and godparents are called to partner with the entire community of the faithful to help guide this new life of grace.

Nurturing the Life Of Grace presents the needed information and inspiration to help care for the newly baptized through the lifelong journey of faith. Using sound Catholic principles and teaching, the roles of parents and godparents are illuminated to become the essential influences and examples the young in Christ need for a faith-filled life.

Additional Resources

What Catholics Believe About Baptism

10 minutes

Join Dr. Sean Innerst as he sits down to answer some of the most asked questions of What Catholics Believe. Why is the sacrament called “Baptism,” and what actually happens when someone is baptized? Does Baptism truly take away original sin—and what does the Church mean by “original sin” in the first place? Find out in this episode of What Catholics Believe.

Gateway from Death to Life

11 minutes

In the beginning, there was water... Water a source of life and growth when the rain falls and nourishes the earth; a source of death and destruction when the waves swell and the streets flood. From creation to Noah and then to us, water has been present throughout God’s story of salvation, with every drop full of promise—new life, new beginnings, and renewal in Christ.

In this episode of Foretold, Dr. Sean Innerst reflects on the connections between the Flood, Jesus’ Baptism, and the Sacrament of Baptism. How is water the red thread that connects these events?

Join us as we enter into these mysteries and uncover not only their scriptural and typological significance but their significance for you in your everyday walk with Jesus.

What is Baptism?

8 minutes

Is baptism a bath in church? Dr. Elizabeth Klein and Chris Stefanick discuss what actually happens in baptism.

Use Cases

Half-Day

9:00 AM	Arrival, coffee, welcome, opening prayer from the Rite of Baptism
9:15 AM	Introduction, Session 1
9:25 AM	Session 1 video, A New Creation
10:05 AM	Discussion and Flying Higher
10:30 AM	Break
10:45 AM	Introduction, Session 2
10:52 AM	Session 2 video, Entering the Mystery
11:17 AM	Discussion and Flying Higher
11:35 AM	Walk into the church and stand at the baptismal font. The priest or deacon walks through what will happen on the day.
11:50 AM	Introduction, Session 3
11:57 AM	Session 3 video, Nurturing the Life of Grace
12:23 PM	Discussion and Flying Higher
12:45 PM	Parent Promise reflection, covering all three sessions
12:55 PM	Closing prayer and the For Further Study resources

Use Cases (Continued)

3 Weekly Sessions

7:00 PM	Opening prayer from the Rite of Baptism
7:05 PM	Introduction of the lesson
7:12 PM	Video. Parents follow the outline in the study guide.
7:52 PM	Small group discussion
8:12 PM	Flying Higher. Catechism and saints excerpts.
8:18 PM	Parent Promise reflection
8:27 PM	Closing prayer, and hand out the For Further Study resources

Watch at Home | 1 In-Person Session

7:00 PM	Opening prayer from the Rite of Baptism
7:05 PM	Round the room, what surprised you across the three episodes
7:15 PM	Discussion, 2 questions per session picked by the leader ahead of time
7:40 PM	Parent Promise reflection
7:50 PM	At the baptismal font, the priest or deacon walks through the day itself
7:57 PM	Closing prayer and the For Further Study resources



See all materials on the **Formed Resource Center**

Discover comprehensive resources and training designed to help your ministry flourish

www.parish.formed.org

formed[™]
Forming Catholics for *Life*.