

## St. Paul Catholic Church

### ***Presentation of a Child***

#### **Requirements:**

- 1) The child must be a baptized Catholic and will usually be 3 years of age.
- 2) A copy of the baptismal record must be supplied to the parish if the child was not baptized at St. Paul.
- 3) The parents must be registered in the parish for at least 3 months prior to the ceremony date. Record of registration will be verified through the Parish Office.
- 4) All ceremonies are scheduled the first Sunday of each month and more than one child may be presented at each Mass.
- 5) The actual ceremony will take place during mass immediately following the Greeting.
- 6) The child and parents will participate in the entrance procession, will be designated to bring up the Offertory gifts, and will receive a special blessing. Therefore, **it is important that the child and the parents arrive no later than 30 minutes prior to the beginning of mass, and that they are dressed appropriately. NO EXCEPTIONS.**
- 7) A special seating area will be designated for the *child and parents only* during the mass. All other guests will be in the general seating area of the church.
- 8) A \$25.00 fee is to be paid prior to the ceremony.
- 9) Pictures and/or video-recording will be allowed during the actual ceremony, but are subject to the following guidelines:
  - a) Video/photos must be taken from the side aisle(s) only.
  - b) No video/photos are to be take place in the sanctuary area.
  - c) No flash photography at any time during the mass.
  - d) Reverence for the Blessed Sacrament must be exhibited at all times during the mass.