

How to read a baptismal record

Column 1: Name or surname of the child baptized

Column 2: Date of the baptism

Column 3:

Ego infrascriptus baptizavi _____ natam/um _____
(I, the undersigned priest, baptized) (Name of child) (born) (Date of birth)

ex _____ ex loco _____
(of) (Father's name) (from) (Father's current place of residence or place of birth)

et _____ ex loco _____
(and) (Mother's name) (from) (Mother's current place of residence or place of birth)

Patrini fuerent _____ (Name of Sponsor)
(Godparents)

_____ (Name of Sponsor)

_____ (Name of Priest)

Column 4: Space left for priest to record any comments regarding the baptism and any subsequent sacraments received by the child.

Ex.,

If one of the parents was a non-Catholic, it would be noted in this space, usually as “acath” or “acatholic”. Sometimes the local address of the family is also noted here.