- 1. Can we have a baptism during the week? St. Leonard Church does not celebrate baptisms during the week or on Saturdays
- 2. When can I have my baby baptized and what time? On the First, Second and Fourth Sunday of the month at 1:15pm, 2:00pm and 3:00pm
- 3. Do you have multiple babies being baptized at the same time? St. Leonard Church will baptize one child per baptism
- 4. Who will baptize my child? Deacon Charles Gingerich, OFM
- 5. How long will the baptism take? Up to 20 minutes
- 6. Will I need to buy a baptism candle? St. Leonard Church will provide a baptism candle for your child
- 7. Can I send a copy of the signed sponsor forms via email? We do not accept copies by email. The Archdiocese of Boston requires the original Sponsor Form signed by the parish priest with the parish seal on it two weeks before the baptism takes place
- 8. Do the Sponsors have to be Catholic? Yes. The Archdiocese of Boston requires that both sponsors are to be Catholic
- 9. If one of the sponsors is not Catholic, can they still be a sponsor? The sponsor that is not Catholic, can be a witness and a sponsor with in your family.
- 10. My family cannot make it to the baptism, can they see the baptism online? Yes, you can go to St. Leonard Church of Port Maurice on Facebook and we will have the baptism live for your family. Please contact the Parish Office to let them know you would like to have the baptism live.
- 11. Can I have two sponsors the same sex? The Archdiocese of Boston requires one sponsor a Catholic male and one sponsor a Catholic female.
- 12. How much does it cost for the baptism? As part of the mission of stewardship to the Church, we humbly ask a donation to the Church of \$100 and appreciate your prayerful consideration as to whether your means allow a more generous contribution.
- 13. We are not parishioners of St. Leonard Church, can we still have our child baptized? If you are not a parishioner of St. Leonard Church of Port Maurice Parish, you should provide us with a letter of permission from your own parish priest, granting the approval to have the baptism outside of your parish.
- 14. We do not have any COVID restrictions at St. Leonard Church
- 15. One of my sponsors does not have a parish, can they still be a sponsor? The sponsor form is to inform us that the sponsor is a practicing Catholic and in good standing with the parish to carry the responsibility to be a godparent to your child.
- 16. Where are the baptisms celebrated? At the baptismal font, located on the front left side of the church.
- 17. Can I have more than 2 sponsors? Only two can be godparents.