Finding Your Baptismal Record Tree

Does the individual know the parish where they were baptized?

→ **Yes** → Check parish baptismal records starting with date of birth.

↓ **NO**

Did the baptized receive first communion (-8 years of age), (-12/16 years of age), or marry in the Catholic Church?

Not Found (from "Check parish baptismal records")

→ **Yes** → Check respective parish registers to see if baptismal parish and date entered in the records. Remember this information may also be in the pre-marriage envelope/file if not noted in marriage register.

↓ **NO**

Did the baptized attend Catholic School?

Not Found (from "Check respective parish registers")

→ **Yes** → Check student record card often includes sacramental information including parishes and dates of all sacraments received.

↓ **NO**

Can the baptized recall their family's residential address at the time of birth? (This can often be found on a birth certificate).

Not Found (from "Check student record card")

→ **Yes** → Visit nearest parish or parishes where individual most likely was baptized. Check parish baptismal register(s). If parish is now closed check with nearest parish.

↓ **NO** / **Not Found**

If still no record found, please contact the Archive Department for assistance.