**Katy Perry’s Parents Won’t Talk Divorce, But They Will Talk Katy**

Katy Perry has yet to comment publicly on her very public split from Russell Brand. The pop star, who has appeared on [American Idol](http://realitytvmagazine.sheknows.com/category/american-idol/) in 2009 and 2011, has not been spotted publicly since her soon-to-be-ex filed the divorce papers over New Year’s weekend. Katy’s parents, on the other hand, have been spotted preaching around the country. So are her parents commenting on the split? Read on to find out.

Katy Perry was last spotted New Year’s Eve celebrating with friends in Hollywood. Since the holiday weekend she has been laying low and healing a broken heart after her husband of 14 months, Russell Brand, filed for divorce. She has been [leaning heavily on friends](http://realitytvmagazine.sheknows.com/2012/01/04/katy-perry-leans-on-rhianna-in-the-wake-of-her-break-up-with-russell-brand/) like Rhianna and her family.

Raised by evangelical ministers, Keith and Mary Hudson, Katy grew up in a strict Christian household. Her parents embrace her career and even her choice the marry the outlandish Russell Brand. Katy’s father gave up drugs and found God at 24. Russell Brand is also a reformed heroin and sex addict.

While ministering across the country Keith and Mary bill themselves as “Katy Perry’s Parents” on marketing brochures, but claim not to need help from their famous daughter to find God. When Keith and Mary recently spoke at Church on the Rise in Westlake, Ohio, they remained mum concerning their daughter’s [impending divorce](http://realitytvmagazine.sheknows.com/2012/01/02/russell-brand-files-for-divorce-from-katy-perry/).  Although they did mention that they attend her concerts, but do not like the idea of people worshiping pop stars.

After they spoke, Katy Perry’s Parents, signed autographs and books, sold jewelry to fund a mission and gave away samples of Katy’s new fragrance, Purr.

Katy Perry will make her first public appearance on January 11, when she attends the People’s Choice [Awards](http://realitytvmagazine.sheknows.com/2012/01/05/katy-perrys-parents-wont-talk-divorce-but-will-talk-katy/), where she is nominated to seven awards.

**Beyoncé and Jay-Z Welcome Daughter, Blue Ivy Carter**

Beyoncé and her husband, Jay-Z, welcomed their daughter Saturday night in New York. The singer, who rocked the Season 10 Finale of [*American Idol*](http://realitytvmagazine.sheknows.com/category/american-idol/), has been surrounded by rumors concerning her pregnancy since she first unveiled it to the world at the MTV [Video](http://realitytvmagazine.sheknows.com/2012/01/09/beyonce-and-jay-z-welcome-daughter-blue-ivy-carter/) Music Awards this past summer. What are the stars’ famous friends tweeting about the new baby? Read on to find out.

Rumors began before Christmas that Beyoncé and Jay-Z had already welcomed their baby into the world. Saturday night the rumors were put to rest when they really did welcome daughter, Blue Ivy Carter, via scheduled c-section.

Blue Ivy’s birth has sent the Twitter world into overdrive with blessings from many of her parents’ famous friends.

Jay-Z collaborator [Rihanna](http://realitytvmagazine.sheknows.com/2012/01/04/katy-perry-leans-on-rhianna-in-the-wake-of-her-break-up-with-russell-brand/) wrote, “Welcome to the world princess Carter!”, signing off with “Love Aunty Rih.”

Famous Beyoncé bestie, Gwyneth Paltrow wrote, “Welcome to the world Blue! We love you already.”

Even [Snooki](http://realitytvmagazine.sheknows.com/2012/01/06/jersey-shore-premieres-with-a-slimmed-down-snooki/) got in on the action tweeting, “Beyonce congrats on your baby gurl mama!!!!” The [*Jersey Shore*](http://realitytvmagazine.sheknows.com/category/jersey-shore/) star added, “So happy for you, you deserve it sexpot.”

Beyoncé has been more open about her pregnancy than about her relationship with her rapper and media mogul husband. She first unveiled her pregnancy for paparazzi at the MTV Video Music Awards this past August. While performing later in the show she removed her suit jacket at the end of her performance to reveal her baby bump to the audience. The beaming [mother](http://realitytvmagazine.sheknows.com/2012/01/09/beyonce-and-jay-z-welcome-daughter-blue-ivy-carter/) and father were both captured in the moment, completely beaming for the world to see.

Blue Ivy’s name, according to MTV, is the result of words that have great meaning to the couple. Jay-Z’s masterpiece was The Blueprint and “Ivy” could represent the couples favorite number IV (four).

**How X-Factor Winner, Melanie Amaro, Plans On Spending Her $5 Million Prize**

After tallying more than 40 million votes, Melanie Amaro was voted the winner of the X Factor [Thursday night](http://realitytvmagazine.sheknows.com/2011/12/22/the-x-factor-results-recap-the-season-one-winner-is/). Along with the title, Melanie also received a recording contract worth $5 million. So how does the 19-year-old college freshman plan to spend her new fortune? Read on to find out.

Melanie Amaro, the new [X Factor](http://realitytvmagazine.sheknows.com/category/x-factor/) champion only had hours to think about how she would spend her new fortune. “Life will change a lot,” she told PEOPLE Magazine. “The most I have ever had before was $200, if I was lucky.”

Melanie, a college freshman and part-time piano teacher, plans on buying her mom a new house and treating herself to a lifetime supply of chicken. “I can’t live without it,” she says. “It’s my favorite food.

To be named the first ever X Factor winner, Melanie had to beat out the other 2 finalists. Rocker Josh Krajcik and recently rehabbed singer Chris Rene also made it to the final 3. [Simon Cowell](http://realitytvmagazine.sheknows.com/2011/12/22/melanie-amaro-is-simon-cowells-pick-to-be-the-x-factor-winner/), the creator of the X Factor and head judge, called the trio the most talented group of finalists of any reality singing competition that he has judged.

The finalists all performed on [Wednesday](http://realitytvmagazine.sheknows.com/2011/12/21/the-x-factor-recap-final-live-performances/). Melanie Amaro, considered the early frontrunner and mentee of Simon Cowell, sang a duet with R. Kelly of his hit “I Believe I Can Fly” and Beyonce’s single “Listen”.

After the announcement that she won Melanie, who had been sent home early in the competition and brought back, was speechless.  All she could get out was, “Oh my god! Oh my god! Oh my god!” before falling to her knees and praying.

Simon Cowell has said that 4 record labels are interested in signing the talented singer and the decision of which one to go with would be made sometime on Friday. Being crowned the winner of X Factor is only the beginning for Melanie Amaro.