



The Role and Commitment of Sponsors

To be chosen as a sponsor is a special honor and a serious responsibility. You represent the Catholic Faith Community. You, above all others, have been entrusted with the responsibility to participate in this young person's Christian life and continuing formation. This privilege offers you the opportunity to develop a mutually enriching spiritual relationship – one that will last throughout this life and beyond. There are many ways you can nurture this relationship, but the most important will be to continue to be there for your candidate and provide spiritual support especially after they receive the Sacrament of Confirmation.

The Code of Canon Law (Church Law) specifies the requirements for serving as a sponsor at Confirmation (Canon 874): You may not be the parent of the person being confirmed; you must be at least 16 years old; you must be fully initiated (Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist); if married, be in a valid Catholic marriage; and live a life of active faith in the Catholic Church.

I understand the requirements of being a Baptism sponsor and I state that I received:

the **Sacrament of Baptism**

At _____ Church in _____
(City and State) on _____ (date)

the **Sacrament of Confirmation**

At _____ Catholic Church in _____
(City and State) on _____ (date)

(And if married) Celebrated the **Sacrament of Marriage**

At _____ Catholic Church in _____
(City and State) on _____ (date)

I am not married.

SPONSOR'S AGREEMENT

I agree to serve as a sponsor for _____. I understand my role as described on the Sponsor Information sheet, which I have received from the candidate and read. I agree to attend the *required* meetings with my candidate, unless not possible due to distance or work schedule - in which case a family member proxy will stand in my place. I agree to cultivate a relationship with my candidate and to serve as a spiritual support during this important time in his/her life, as well as in the years to come.

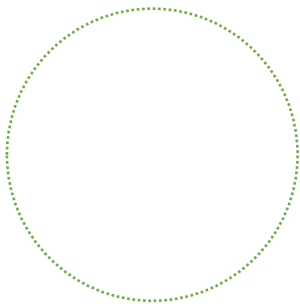
Signature of Sponsor

Date

Printed Name of Sponsor

**If your Sponsor is not from St. Louise Parish,
please have the pastor of his/her parish complete the following:**

The person above is a member of the parish I serve and is eligible to act as a Confirmation Sponsor.



Parish Seal

Pastor's Signature (or proxy)

Printed Name of Pastor

Parish Name and City