

Instructions for Sponsors

- Please correct any incorrect information, complete the “**Sponsor’s Statement of Faith**” section of the attached form, and then send it to your parish to fill out the “**Sponsor’s Parish Certificate**” section, complete with parish seal.

Have your parish return the form to:

**St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church
Attn: Director of Youth Sacramental Formation
10700 Aboite Center Road
Fort Wayne, IN 46804**

- Please return the form **by October 15, 2019**
- Confirmation is scheduled for **Saturday, March 14, 2020 at 10:00am**
- **Candidate and sponsor meetings are scheduled for the following dates, please plan to attend these meetings. For the first 2 meetings there are 3 different times to choose from. If you cannot attend the meeting then your candidate should attend with a parent.**

Meeting #1

September 22: 12:45-2:00pm OR 5:15-6:30pm

September 23: 6:00-7:15pm

Meeting #2

November 17: 12:45-2:00pm OR 5:15-6:30pm

November 18: 6:00-7:30pm

Meeting #3

February 9: 2:00-3:15pm (only one meeting-this is practice)

- At the September and November meeting you and your candidate will receive a questionnaire that has some general questions about both your experiences regarding faith, prayer and scripture. I will ask you to complete those questionnaires and bring them back with you at the next meeting. If you are out of town, these questions can be done over the phone or via e-mail. They are designed to facilitate your discussion with your candidate regarding faith matters. **Do not feel that you have to limit your discussion to these questions.**
- **VERY IMPORTANT:** The candidates will be going on retreat either on **January 18 or February 1, 2020**. This retreat is for the candidates only. However, **you will be contacted prior to the retreat to provide a letter of encouragement for your candidate to read during the retreat.** You will receive more about this in the future.

Put on then, as God’s chosen ones, holy and beloved, heartfelt compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience, bearing with one another and forgiving one another, if one has a grievance against another; as the Lord has forgiven you, so must you also do. And over all these put on love, that is, the bond of perfection. And let the peace of Christ control your hearts, the peace into which you were also called in one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, as in all wisdom you teach and admonish one another, singing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to God. And whatever you do, in word or in deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

Colossians 3:12-17