

CONFIRMATION SPONSOR FORM

Congratulations! You have been chosen by a teen for a special role. A wonderful adventure in the spiritual life awaits the two of you. As a Confirmation sponsor, you have accepted a responsibility that is an honor in the Church. Your role is to spiritually walk with the candidate during the preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation. You will be assisting your sponsee in being a true witness and disciple of Jesus, and representing the community when you present your candidate to the bishop. Your Special role does not end at the Confirmation liturgy; with the help of the Holy Spirit, you will help the teen fulfill his or her baptismal promises after Confirmation.

To be a sponsor, you must:

- Be at least 16 years of age
- Have received Baptism, consistently receive the Eucharist, and be Confirmed in the Catholic Faith
- Be an active Catholic, consistently attending Sunday and Holy Day Masses and participating in the life of the Church
- Live a life consistent with the views and teachings of the Catholic Church
- Be available to meet regularly with their Confirmation candidate (whether in person, over the phone, etc.)
- Must not be a candidate's parent or guardian

What does this mean for me?

Like a parent, a Confirmation sponsor's job is to be an up-close-and-personal witness of the Christian life to your candidate. Your task does not end when the teen is confirmed; rather, you are there to help the teen continue to grow in faith, to help in his or her Christian walk throughout life. You should seek to communicate the Faith to your candidate, who, throughout the Sacrament, becomes in a very real sense, your "spiritual child." You should commit to praying daily for your candidate and remind your teen that you are praying for them. Throughout the Confirmation preparation process, you should be an active part of the candidate's life. Plan to meet regularly with your candidate (at least once a month) in person, over the phone, face time, etc. to discuss how Confirmation is going, what they have learned thus far, how they hope to grow, and what they need prayers for.

Candidate's Name: _____

SPONSOR INFORMATION

Name: _____ Age: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

Registered Parishioner of (parish name): _____

Parish City: _____ Parish State: _____

Baptized at (parish name): _____

Parish City: _____ Parish State: _____

Are you married? Y N If yes, were you married in the Catholic Church? Y N

I understand the responsibilities that I am undertaking and have both the desire and the intention to fulfill them.

_____ Sponsor Signature _____ Date