

# Responsibilities of Parents and Sponsors

## St. Bernard Confirmation

The St. Bernard Confirmation preparation program believes that parents, with the help of Sponsors:

- are the primary educators of their candidate
- are responsible for drawing their candidate into the sacramental life of the Church
- serve as models for their candidate by being committed Christians
- attend mass regularly with their candidate
- nurture their candidate in faith
- will make every effort to have ensure the presence of their candidate at all RE classes and extra Confirmation sessions/activities
- should encourage their candidate to reflect on and thoughtfully consider the decision to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation
- are asked to attend meetings, programs, and prayer services that are planned to help their candidate prepare for the Sacrament of Confirmation
- are asked to assist their candidate with the immediate preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation through prayer, study, and Christian service
- can emphasize the importance of the Sacrament of Confirmation by taking an active part in the celebration of Confirmation
- should stress the initiation aspect of the Sacrament by encouraging their candidate to continue learning more their faith
- should by their example and word, affirm the responsibilities of each candidate

By signing below, I understand all of the above and will work with Fr. Mike, the Director of Faith Formation and parish catechists to help my child grow in faith and understanding of the Sacrament of Confirmation.

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(Name of Confirmation Candidate)

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(Signature of Candidate)

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(Name of Parent)

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