

CONFIRMATION SPONSOR

It has always been a custom in the Church to provide a guide to assist each person who is going through initiation. The official name for this person is SPONSOR.

A sponsor actually has two tasks. First, the sponsor is there to help answer your questions about the faith and to guide you closer to the church and to your relationship with Christ. Second, the sponsor is there to help the Christian community get to know you better. In the end, the sponsor will stand up with you at your Confirmation celebration as you become a full member of the Church, and a disciple of Jesus.

A sponsor must be a person who has already received the sacrament of Confirmation and who is an **ACTIVE, PRACTICING CATHOLIC**. That means they must be baptized and confirmed in the Catholic Church, be a registered member of a parish, and a weekly participant at Sunday Mass. A certificate of eligibility is required from the parish in which they belong. ***Be sure the person you choose is qualified to receive this certificate from their pastor. A sponsor cannot be your mother or father.***

Your present task is to choose a sponsor who can guide you through the process of preparing for Confirmation. Look for a committed Catholic Christian who is a friend of Jesus, an active follower of Jesus, and a person who is striving to live by gospel values.

Chances are that you already have someone in mind. In some cases, you may need assistance in finding a committed Christian to fulfill this role. Your teachers or Director can be of help. ***Just remember this: You're looking for someone who can help you understand what it means to live as a confirmed disciple.*** You need a person with whom you can talk and who is a good example to you of what it means to be a Christian.

CANDIDATES NAME _____
(Student)

MY CONFIRMATION SPONSOR *Required

SPONSOR'S NAME: _____
*(First and Last Name)

STREET ADDRESS: _____

TOWN: _____ STATE: _____

ZIP CODE: _____ *necessary for mailings. We should not have to look these up.)

PHONE NUMBER _____
*(Will contact by phone only if we still need paperwork from them)

E-MAIL ADDRESS _____
*(Preferred way to keep everyone updated)

PRESENT PARISH
WHERE REGISTERED: _____
NAME OF CHURCH AND TOWN

Sponsor needs to be registered at the parish in the community where they live.
Young adults out of college need to be registered themselves at the parish in the community where they reside.

- "My parents are registered here" does not make you registered

Please complete the reverse side of this form as well.

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