

## CONFIRMATION SPONSOR COMMITMENT GUIDELINES

A Confirmation sponsor is a witness to the commitment that the Confirmand is making to Christ. The sponsor presents the candidate to the Bishop and stands with him/her at the anointing of the Holy Spirit. In choosing a sponsor, the candidate for the reception of Confirmation should select a person with the characteristics listed below. These characteristics come from Canon Law of the Catholic Church and the guidelines for the Green Bay Diocese.

1. The sponsor may be a man or a woman, but not a parent and must be at least 16 years old.
2. The sponsor must be confirmed, practices his/her faith by regular attendance at Sunday Mass and regularly receives the Eucharist. The sponsor leads a life in harmony with the Catholic faith.
3. The sponsor will willingly participate in the Confirmand's preparation process, by being a person who exemplifies in faith and action a life that the Confirmand can follow as an example of a person journeying toward a closer relationship with the Lord, participates in the liturgies, works with the Confirmand to complete the Sponsor/Confirmand journal and will encourage the young candidate to live a Christian life during the preparation period and after Confirmation.
4. Sponsors must bring in a "Pastor Verification Form for the Confirmation Sponsor" which indicates that the sponsor is a confirmed member in good standing. Please turn it into the New Evangelization office by October 16<sup>th</sup>.

## CONFIRMATION SPONSOR VERIFICATION FORM

To Whom It May Concern:

- I am a Confirmed, practicing Catholic and am in good standing with the Catholic Church.
- I have carefully read the guidelines for sponsors.
- I practice my faith and the celebration of my life and God's life at Mass on Saturdays or Sundays.
- I realize the importance of my good example in encouraging all whom I meet in their journey toward a closer relationship with God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, and I accept my responsibility as a Confirmation sponsor for:

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(Confirmation Candidate's Name)

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(Sponsor's Signature)

SPONSOR'S PRINTED NAME:

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ADDRESS:

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PHONE NUMBER:

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E-MAIL ADDRESS:

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**PASTOR VERIFICATION FORM**

As of \_\_\_\_\_, I verify that the person named above is a confirmed, registered, active parishioner of \_\_\_\_\_ Parish in \_\_\_\_\_ and is able to serve in the capacity of **Sponsor for Confirmation**.

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(Pastor's Signature)

NAME OF PARISH:

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PARISH

ADDRESS

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PARISH PHONE NUMBER:

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