



# BLESSED SACRAMENT CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## CONFIRMATION SPONSOR CERTIFICATE OF ELIGIBILITY

When someone chooses you as a Confirmation Sponsor (hereinafter called "Sponsor") that means you are thought of as a very special Catholic. Being called to be a Sponsor is not merely a choice because of family ties or a reward of friendship. The call to be a Sponsor bears the responsibility of giving spiritual witness to whom you sponsor of how to live out the Catholic faith in everyday life. By being faithful to God's law, being active in the life of your parish, participating in Mass weekly, and living Gospel values, you offer tremendous personal support to the parents who commit themselves in Confirmation to faithfully pass on the Catholic faith to their child.

The laws of the Catholic Church offer these qualities of a valid sponsor:

- Must be mature enough to undertake this role, at least 16 years of age.
- Must be fully initiated, having received the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist.
- If married, must be in a sacramental marriage (not married outside the church).
- Must be a member of the Catholic Church, canonically free to carry out this office.
- Must know the fundamental truths of the faith, be a practicing Catholic who attends Sunday Mass and receives the sacraments regularly and sees to the religious instruction of his/her family.
- Must not be the mother or father of the one to be confirmed. The Sponsor, with the parents, present the child for the sacrament and helps him/her live a life befitting a baptized Catholic Christian.

As a registered member of Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church, I understand, I must be an active parishioner by attending weekend Masses, supported by my use of weekly envelopes in the offertory, even if empty.

Therefore, it is important you prayerfully consider the serious responsibility, which you take on as a Sponsor. If you are unable to live up to these Catholic ideals, you may wish to decline this responsibility.

I, \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_  
Print Sponsor Name Print Name of Home Parish

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Email Address

Accept the invitation to be Sponsor to \_\_\_\_\_  
Print Candidate's Name

To be confirmed at \_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name of Parish; City/State

I affirm that I am a baptized and confirmed Catholic, living my Catholic faith and in good standing with the Catholic Church. I understand, I am called to serve as a companion, guide, and role model to whom I am a Sponsor, especially by my own example and witness.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Sponsor's signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Pastor's signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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