

## **Sponsor Guidelines**

The sponsor should be a person who is prayerful, open, loving, and is comfortable sharing their faith with young people. A sponsor must be a practicing Catholic, who is at least sixteen years of age and has already received the Sacrament of Confirmation. The Candidate is encouraged to choose someone close by, that they can share their faith with. A godparent who has been a real model of faith to a candidate logically completes his/her baptismal role by becoming a Confirmation sponsor. The Church prefers that a godparent serve in this role, but someone else that has impressed a candidate's faith would also be a suitable choice.

The sponsor represents the support and prayers of the entire community of the Church. He or she will be the candidates "spiritual friend." In this program, the following is asked of the sponsor:

- 1. Pray for and with your candidate.**
- 2. Represent the Church to your candidate in the way you live your life.**
- 3. Guide your candidate to grasp the meaning and responsibilities involved in seeking the Sacrament of Confirmation.**
- 4. Encourage your candidate to share their thoughts and feelings about being members of the Church.**
- 5. Share what your faith means to you - what you consider to be important in your relationship with Jesus.**
- 6. Spend time with your candidate. Get to know them by going to dinner or writing to them.**
- 7. Write a letter to your candidate on what your Confirmation meant to you as a spiritual person and how you see God playing an active role in your life.**
- 8. Year 1 Sponsors Attend the Rite of Sending Forth Sunday, March 5, 4:30pm-6:00pm.  
Year 2 Sponsors Attend the Rite of Commitment Sunday, March 19, 4:30pm-6:00pm.**
- 9. Year 2 Sponsors accompany your candidate to the rehearsal at The Church of Holy Apostles.**
- 10. Year 2 Sponsors present your candidate to the Bishop during the Rite of Confirmation.**

# **Confirmation Sponsor Information Sheet**

**Due November 2017**

**Year 1 Confirmation Sponsors need to attend**

- A. The Sending Forth Sunday, March 5, 2017 at 4:30-6:00pm

**Year 2 Confirmation Sponsors need to attend:**

- A. The Rite of Commitment Sunday, March 19, 2017 at 4:30-6:00pm
- B. Confirmation rehearsal April TBD, 2017 at 6:15-7:15pm
- C. The Sacrament of Confirmation April TBD, 2017 at 5:30pm

Please print clearly. The way the Sponsor's name is written here, is the way that it will appear in the program.

Confirmation Candidate's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Candidate's Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor's Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor's Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Why did you choose this person to be your sponsor?

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How have they witnessed living out their Catholic Faith to you?

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