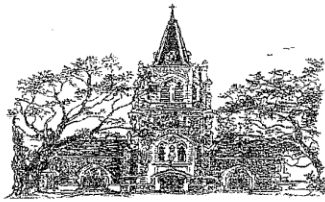


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### CERTIFICATE OF ELIGIBILITY FOR SPONSOR IN BAPTISM/CONFIRMATION

Sponsor's Full Name (*in print*) \_\_\_\_\_

Godchild or Candidate's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

The Laws of the Roman Catholic Church (canons 872 & 874) lists the requirements that a person must possess in order to qualify as a SPONSOR in Baptism and/or Confirmation. A sponsor

- **MUST** be mature in mind and spirit to undertake the responsibility;
- **MUST** be a Roman Catholic and **NOT** younger than 16 years old;
- **MUST** have received ALL the Sacraments of Initiation, i.e., Baptism, Confirmation, and First Eucharist;
- **MUST** know the basic truths of the Roman Catholic faith and be a PRACTICING Catholic who attends Mass every Sunday and Holy Days of Obligations, receives the Sacraments regularly, and practices the faith in his/her own family;
- **MUST** be a Roman Catholic in good standing and not impeded to receive the Sacraments (i.e., married in the Roman Catholic Church, **not** co-habiting or in a civil marriage; censured by the Church or prohibited by Church authorities)
- **MUST NOT** be the father or mother of the Child and/or candidate.

The same requirements above apply to a PROXY in case of an emergency.

**I DECLARE THAT I AM A MEMBER OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH PARISH LISTED BELOW AND THAT I FULFILL ALL THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE CHURCH LAW FOR SPONSORS.**

Signature of Sponsor: \_\_\_\_\_

Address & Phone No.: \_\_\_\_\_

*Information below to be filled out by the Sponsor's Pastor:*

I CERTIFY THAT \_\_\_\_\_ (*Sponsor's Name*) is a member of this Church Community, has fulfilled all the requirements of Canon Law for Sponsors, and is truly qualified to act as a Sponsor for Baptism and/or Confirmation.

Pastor's Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Print Name* *Signature*

Church Parish: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_