#### CONFIRMATION SPONSOR INFORMATION

# All paperwork must be complete and submitted to the Religious Education Office: NO LATER THAN THE WEEK OF JANUARY 7, 2025

During the preparation for the reception of the Sacrament of Confirmation, each candidate must choose a sponsor. A sponsor's role is that of one companioning the candidate throughout the preparation time.

#### In choosing a sponsor, the Church's law gives us some requirements that must be met.

- † A sponsor must be at least 16 years old
- † A sponsor must be fully initiated CATHOLIC (one who has celebrated Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation) who "leads a life in harmony with the faith and the role to be undertaken".
- † A sponsor must not be bound by any church penalty (i.e. married outside the Church a civil marriage), divorced and remarried without an annulment).
- † A sponsor must not be a parent of the one to be confirmed.

		Initials of Sponsor:		
**Sponsor ack	nowledges that the	hev have read	d and meet all	criteria

### It is also important to reflect on the following characteristics when choosing a sponsor:

- $\sqrt{\text{Local Residency}}$ , to ensure consistent involvement throughout the Confirmation process.
- $\sqrt{A}$  positive and comfortable relationship with the candidate.
- $\sqrt{A}$  willingness and capacity to engage in the Confirmation process as a means of enhancing his or her own growth as a Catholic Christian adult.





#### RETURN THIS SHEET TO THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE

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Student Name:
Name of Sponsor:
Relationship to the Confirmation Candidate:
The Parish Sponsor Belongs to:
Name of Parish
Signature of Sponsor:  **Sponsor acknowledges that they meet all criteria

### Sponsor acknowledges that they meet all criteria

## \* \* \* Please Attach the Certificate of Eligibility \* \* \*

- 1. If they belong to Our Lady of Hope just have them fill out this form and sign it. We will look them up if they are a parishioner of Our Lady of Hope.
- 2. A Certificate of eligibility from the sponsor's parish attested to by a priest of his/her parish must be submitted by the sponsor.
- 3. The sponsor should call their home parish and get the certificate and attach to this form



#### DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE

#### TESTIMONY OF DESIGNATED SPONSOR

The role of sponsor is an important one for the Sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation. Today some may see the role as honorary, but the Church sees the sponsor, popularly called a godparent, as a fully-initiated Catholic who actively supports the newly Baptized or Confirmed by good example and instruction in the Christian life.

In order to be admitted to the role of sponsor, the law of the Church directs that a person must be designated specifically by the parents of the infant or the individual who is to be baptized or confirmed. To be a sponsor, a person must be a baptized Catholic, at least sixteen years of age, and have already received the Sacraments of the Most Holy Eucharist and Confirmation. In addition, he or she must be leading a life in harmony with the Catholic Faith and not be bound by a canonical penalty.

I,	, declare that I have been chosen to act
as a sponsor for	, who is to receive the
Sacrament of Baptism/Confirmation on	at the Church of
	in
In assuming this responsibility, I testify that	t
	ge. is of Baptism, Confirmation, and Holy Eucharist. with the teachings of the Catholic Church in faith
	ribed by the Church and aware of the obligations and in willing and able to accept the role of sponsor in the
By my signature, I solemnly swear that I ful above. I attest to the truth of this statement	fill all of the requirements to be a sponsor as described , so help me God.
Date	Designated Sponsor

### **CONFIRMATION NAME**

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One of the traditional practices in the church at the time of Confirmation is choosing a name that will remind you of this sacrament. Your prayerful reflection will help you determine that name. You might want to choose the name of a saint who represents the type of Christian you wish to be. You might want to recommit yourself to your baptismal name, especially after you have reflected on its meaning and discovered some of the great people who shared your name in Christian history. After all, Confirmation is really the completion of the Baptism experience. Whether you decide to pick a new name or stay with your baptismal name, you will want to explore quite thoroughly the root meaning of the name, for a scripture says, "Yahweh calls each of us by name."

Student Name:	
First Last	
Confirmation Name:	
(Name you have chosen for confirmation)	
What Name will you choose? Each candidate must research the name that he/she will choose and write a summary.	
1. Name of the Saint I have Chosen is:	
2. The date on which the church celebrates this Saint's feast is:	
3. Three things I learned about Saint	
a	
b	
c	
4. Explain how you will imitate the values and qualities of Saint	in your life.
(Be Specific)	