

Sponsor Information Year One (Conf. 2011)

Each candidate, with the help of his or her parents, is responsible for choosing a sponsor by **Sunday, March 7, 2010**. It is recommended that, if possible, the baptismal sponsor (godparent) also be the Confirmation sponsor. This choice would express more clearly the relationship between Baptism and Confirmation and would make the function of the sponsor more effective. There is no regulation determining that men must be sponsors for boys and women must be sponsors for girls.

Church law states that the sponsor must be at least 16 years of age. He or she must be a confirmed Catholic and be living according to the Catholic faith. The sponsor cannot be a parent of the candidate. It is the responsibility of the sponsor to give assurance of his or her qualifications.

During the time of preparation, sponsors are encouraged to take an active role in the Confirmation program and meet with their candidates on a regular basis for faith sharing. It will be up to the candidates and their sponsors to set up times for the two to get together.

It is important that parents, candidates, and prospective sponsors consider carefully the qualifications and requirements given in this note before a commitment to the Confirmation program is made.

At our meeting in September you were given a calendar of lessons. We encourage that the parents and the sponsors attend Mass with the candidate on a weekly basis. In addition, we also encourage both the parents and the sponsors to be present at the symbolic confirmation rites which are listed in the handbook and on the calendar of lessons.

Please PRINT NEATLY and complete the form below in its entirety.

Candidate Name: _____

Candidate Phone #: _____

Candidate Email: _____

Sponsor Name: _____

Sponsor Address: _____

Sponsor Phone #: _____

Sponsor Email: _____

Candidate Signature: _____

Parent's Signature: _____