

Choosing a Sponsor



With the guidance of your parents, you have the responsibility of choosing a Sponsor who will take an active role in the Confirmation program and communicate with you about your faith journey on a regular basis. It is recommended (but not required) that you choose one of your Godparents to act as your Sponsor because Confirmation is the completion of your Baptism. In Baptism, your Godparents acted on your behalf by promising that you would follow Christ and, in Confirmation, you consciously make that promise for yourself.

Canon #874 of Church law states that a Sponsor must be:

- ❖ At least 16 years of age.
- ❖ A confirmed Catholic.
- ❖ Who is living according to the Catholic Faith.

There is no regulation that says men must sponsor boys or women must sponsor girls.

Please complete the attached Sponsor Packet and return it no later than February 15, 2023.

Sponsor Packet

The following forms should be completed and submitted by your sponsor no later than:

March 1, 2023

Verification of Sponsorship

Agreement of Sponsorship

Sponsor's Certificate

Sponsor's Letter

Verification of Sponsorship

Have your Sponsor send back via mail, fax or email to:

St. Pius X Religious Education Office

85 Palmer Avenue

Scarsdale, NY 10583

Fax (914) 725-1517

stpiusxreled@yahoo.com

Church Canon Law (#874) states that a Confirmation Sponsor must be:

- ❖ Designated by the one to be confirmed and is to have the aptitude and intention of performing this role.
- ❖ Over the age of 16.
- ❖ A Catholic who has been confirmed and has already received the Most Holy Sacrament of the Eucharist and leads a life in harmony with the Faith and the role to be undertaken.
- ❖ Not a parent of the person being Confirmed.

(Please print)

Name of student being Confirmed:

Name of Sponsor:

Address of Sponsor:

Email:

Phone:

**By signing below, I confirm that I am at least sixteen years of age, a baptized Catholic, and have received the Sacraments of the Holy Eucharist and Confirmation. I am also a practicing Catholic in good standing with the Church and not the parent of the Confirmation Candidate.*

*Sponsor's Signature:

Date:

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I accept the invitation of the Confirmation candidate named herein to be his/her Sponsor. I welcome the responsibility and I am grateful for the privilege to serve as a Sponsor. With God's help and the support of the Holy Catholic Church, I hereby commit myself to serve and will fulfill to the best of my ability the responsibilities placed upon me as a Confirmation Sponsor.

Candidate's Name:

Sponsor's Signature:

Date:

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This is to certify that:

Is an active parishioner in this Parish and to my knowledge is a Catholic qualified to act as a Sponsor for the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Rev.:

Church:

City:

Date:

CHURCH SEAL:

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This letter should be written by your sponsor and sent to Ellen. It should include evidence of the following:

- ❖ The student's readiness to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation.
- ❖ The student's spiritual growth while preparing for the Sacrament.
- ❖ The student's understanding of the commitment he/she will make and their willingness to make the commitment freely, sincerely and without reservation.
- ❖ The student's plans to continue to nurture and support their Catholic Faith.



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