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### CONFIRMATION SPONSOR-APPLICATION

| Candidate's (Student's) Name:             |          |        |
|---|----------|--------|
| Sponsor's Name:                           |          |        |
| (First)                                   | (Middle) | (Last) |
| Sponsor's Address:                        |          |        |
| Sponsor's Home Phone:                     | Cell     |        |
| Phone:                                    |          |        |
| Sponsor's Baptism Date://                 | Church:  |        |
| City: State:                              | Country: |        |
| Sponsor, are you able to receive Holy Com |          |        |
| If NO state the reason If NO Why:         |          |        |
| Sponsor's Confirmation date://            |          |        |
| City:State:_                              | Country: |        |
| Sponsor's Registered Parish:              |          |        |
| Ministries the Sponsor is involved with:  |          |        |
| Sponsor's Relationship to Candidate:      |          |        |
| SPONSOR COMMITMENT                        |          |        |

#### SPONSOR COMMITMENT

I am willing to commit myself to this Candidate and the process of forming and confirming this Candidate's faith in the ways of Jesus and His gospel message

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## **Confirmation Sponsors**

Thank you for your willingness to mentor this member of our Confirmation program.

The sponsor should be someone who knows and mentors the candidate
on their morals and faith.

### **Choosing a Sponsor**

The role of sponsor is much more than honorary; it is a lifelong commitment in this person's faith journey. The sponsor is to be involved in the youth's life and journey in many ways. The person chosen as a sponsor should be:

- A person that will pray with the candidate regularly.
- A real friend; someone the candidate can trust and confide in; someone who can be there when needed.
- Someone the candidate looks up to; someone after which he/she would like to model his/her life.
- ❖ A person whose experience as a Catholic is an invaluable source for helping youth make decisions in their life as a Catholic.
- A person who is interested in the candidate's preparation and who is willing to participate in special gatherings, meetings, and liturgical celebrations during the preparation program.
- A person whose relationship with the candidate will continue after the celebration of Confirmation.

### **Qualifications for Sponsor**

- Must be a confirmed, practicing Catholic who attends Sunday and Holy Day masses regularly and participates in the Sacramental life of the Church.
- Must be sufficiently mature to fulfill their function as a sponsor (even though the minimum age is sixteen, we encourage someone older).
- Sponsor may be male or female and may be a Baptismal Godparent
- Married sponsors must be in a valid Catholic marriage.
- Must be a person who is an example and a witness of the Catholic faith in word and action.
- Must be friendly, trustworthy, and a good listener.
- ❖ Must be one who will attend liturgical celebrations, meetings, rehearsal, and Confirmation Day.
- Only one sponsor is required and cannot be a parent of the candidate.

### **Expectations of the Sponsor**

- Attend Mass with the candidate frequently.
- Attend meetings, workshops, training sessions, and days of prayer.
- Participate in liturgical celebrations, rehearsal, and Rites during the Confirmation process.
- Meet with candidate on a regular basis to encourage and assist the candidate to grow in knowledge, prayer, service, and worship.
- Participate in other parish activities <u>required</u> of the two year process.

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