

CONFIRMATION SPONSOR FORM

Please turn in this form filled out and signed by February 10, 2019

CANDIDATE'S NAME: _____

SPONSOR'S NAME: _____

SPONSOR'S ADDRESS: _____

SPONSOR'S HOME PARISH:

(INCLUDE CITY & STATE)

RELATIONSHIP TO CANDIDATE: _____

I, _____, a practicing Catholic, accept

Sponsor's Full Name (Please Print)

the privilege of being a Sponsor at the Sacrament of Confirmation for the above named Candidate. I have read the qualifications needed to be a Sponsor and I attest that I have met these qualifications. I am grateful for the honor and will continue to live my Christian faith to the best of my ability.

SPONSOR'S SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: _____

Please reverse side of this sheet for information regarding qualifications for sponsors

You may return this form by mail or hand-delivery to the Faith Formation Office, 432 Adams St., Milton, MA 02186; or drop it at the Rectory (mark "Confirmation" on the envelope). You may also choose to scan and email this form to hbornhorst@stagathaparish.org or bring it to a Confirmation Session.

Once you've submitted this information, if you need to make changes to it, simply notify the Faith Formation Office by phone (617-696-8978), fax or e-mail

From: Preparing for Confirmation: Resources & Guidelines, Archdiocese of Boston

It is important to define what the roles of the parents/guardians and sponsors are in the catechesis for the sacrament of Confirmation. Parents or guardians cannot be Sponsors.

ROLE OF THE PARENTS/GUARDIANS

1. Parents/guardians line out the commitment made at the child's Baptism, when they accepted the "responsibility of training them in the practice of the faith". (*Rite of Baptism for Children*).
Parents/Guardians should be open to continued and renewed growth in their own faith through participation in the sacramental life of the church, especially in regular Sunday celebration of the Eucharist, and in daily living. Parents/guardians should make every effort to be involved in the parish Confirmation preparation program for their children.
2. Parents/guardians take seriously their responsibility as primary educators of their children and raise them in the practice of the Catholic faith. This includes providing for a formal program of instruction in Catholic doctrine and promoting family participation in the liturgical life of the Church.
3. Parents/guardians give prayerful support and encouragement to the candidate in matters pertaining to the practice of the Catholic faith.
4. Parents/guardians support the candidate through confirmation preparation and continue that support in Post-Confirmation continuing faith development. This involves an appreciation of the sacramental life of the church and an understanding of what it means in the candidate's everyday life. (e.g., moral decision-making.)

ROLE OF THE SPONSOR

In accordance with Canons 892, 872-874

1. The sponsor is a confirmed member of the Catholic Church and in good standing and is, if possible, the same person who served as the candidate's godparent at Baptism.
2. The sponsor is a living witness to the Catholic faith through regular participation in the sacramental life of the church.
3. The sponsor has an ongoing, caring relationship with the candidate, not only during the Confirmation preparation process, but also after the reception of the sacrament.
4. The sponsor communicates to the candidate the importance of daily prayer, regular reception of the Sacraments, Christian service and all else that pertains to the preparation process, as well as to continued Catholic living after reception of the sacrament.

5. The sponsor should have a good knowledge of the candidate's readiness for reception of the sacrament so as to verify in the candidate's behalf. (This presumes that the sponsor has met and discussed matters of faith with the candidate.)