

CONFIRMATION SPONSOR

WHAT IS THE ROLE OF A CONFIRMATION SPONSOR?

Just as sponsor for baptism took upon himself/herself the responsibility of helping you, a newly baptized person, mature in the living a Christian life and offers his or her own life and practice of the faith as an example of faith, prayer and service within the Catholic Church, the Sponsor for Confirmation continues that work for you. The Sacrament of Confirmation also creates a strong spiritual bond between you and your sponsor. The sponsor should be committed to trying to be a part of your life by presence and prayer, always realizing that a sponsor's prayers for you are especially efficacious before Almighty God. One's "yes" to be a sponsor for Confirmation is not just a "yes" to you, the candidate, but also a serious commitment to God in taking on this obligation.

WHAT ARE THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE CHURCH FOR BEING A CONFIRMATION SPONSOR?

- A sponsor must be someone other than the parent of the one to be confirmed.
- A sponsor must have received the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist.
- A sponsor must be at least 16 years of age and may be male or female regardless of the sex of the candidate.
- A sponsor must be leading a life in harmony with the faith and the role to be undertaken; therefore, if married, must be married in the Church and if single, must be striving to live a chaste life and therefore cannot be living with a person outside of marriage.

HOW MANY SPONSORS (PADRINOS) DO I NEED?

Only ONE

A PRAYER TO HELP CHOOSE A SPONSOR

HOLY SPIRIT, HELPER AND GUIDE,

GIVE ME WISDOM AS I CHOOSE MY CONFIRMATION SPONSOR.

HELP ME TO CHOOSE A PERSON OF PRAYER

WHO WILL TEACH ME ALSO TO BE A PERSON OF PRAYER

WHO WILL SUPPORT ME IN DIFFICULT TIMES,

WHO WILL GUIDE ME TO MAKE GOOD CHOICES,

AND WHO WILL CHALLENGE ME WHEN I DO NOT.

HELP ME TO CHOOSE SOMEONE WHO WILL LOVE ME AND TEACH ME TO LOVE JESUS.

THANK YOU FOR GIVING ME A COMMUNITY OF PEOPLE AROUND ME

TO SUPPORT AND GUIDE ME AS I TAKE THIS IMPORTANT STEP

IN BECOMING MORE FULLY A MEMBER OF YOUR CHURCH. AMEN.

PADRINO DE CONFIRMACIÓN

¿CUÁL ES EL PAPEL DE UN PADRINO DE CONFIRMACIÓN?

Así como padrino para el bautismo asumió la responsabilidad de ayudarlo a usted, una persona recién bautizada, madura en la vida cristiana y ofrece su propia vida y práctica de la fe como un ejemplo de fe, oración y servicio dentro de La Iglesia Católica, el Padrino para la Confirmación continúa ese trabajo para usted. El Sacramento de la Confirmación también crea un fuerte vínculo espiritual entre usted y su padrino. El padrino debe comprometerse a tratar de ser parte de su vida mediante la presencia y la oración, siempre comprendiendo que las oraciones de un padrino por usted son especialmente eficaces ante Dios Todopoderoso. El "sí" de ser padrino para la Confirmación no es solo un "sí" para usted, el candidato, sino también un compromiso serio con Dios al asumir esta obligación.

¿CUÁLES SON LOS REQUISITOS DE LA IGLESIA PARA SER UN PADRINO DE CONFIRMACIÓN?

- Un padrino debe ser alguien que no sea el padre del confirmado.
- Un padrino debe haber recibido los Sacramentos del Bautismo, la Confirmación y la Sagrada Eucaristía.
- Un padrino debe tener al menos 16 años de edad y puede ser hombre o mujer, independientemente del sexo del candidato.
- Un padrino debe estar llevando una vida en armonía con la fe y el papel que debe desempeñarse; por lo tanto, si está casado, debe casarse en la Iglesia y si es soltero, debe esforzarse por vivir una vida casta y, por lo tanto, no puede vivir con una persona fuera del matrimonio.

¿CUÁNTOS PADRINOS NECESITO?

Solo UNO...

CONFIRMATION SPONSOR INFORMATION SHEET

You have been asked to be a sponsor for the Sacrament of Confirmation. A sponsor must be a practicing Catholic in good standing (see below) who is at least 16 years of age and has been Baptized and Confirmed and has also received 1st Communion. He/she should be spiritually mature, be interested in the candidate and his/her spiritual growth and be living a life of example for the candidate. Please provide the following information.

Confirmation Candidate's Name: _____

Your Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

Street or PO Box: _____

City, State, Zip _____

Your current Catholic Parish of **active** participation and its location: _____

- Are you over the age of 16? Yes___ NO___
- Have you been baptized? Yes___ NO___
- Have you been Confirmed? Yes___ NO___
- Have you received your First Communion? Yes___ NO___
- Are you a Catholic in Good Standing
(attending Mass and receiving the sacraments regularly)? Yes___ NO___
- If living with someone, you were married in the Catholic Church? Yes___ NO___
- Your Relationship to the candidate (cannot be a parent)? _____
- Have you had an active role in the candidate's faith
development before this? Yes___ NO___

Sponsor's Signature Date