

Corpus Christi Catholic Church

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This Form is due March 30

To be a Confirmation sponsor, a person must:

- a.** Be at least 16 years of age and sufficiently mature for this responsibility;
- b.** Be a Catholic who has been confirmed, has already received first Eucharist and is leading a life in harmony with the faith and the role to be undertaken;
- c.** Not be a parent of the candidate
- d.** Not be prohibited by law from exercising the role of a sponsor
- e.** If married, be married in the Catholic Church [See CC. 874 & 893]

I, THE CONFIRMATION SPONSOR, HEREBY AFFIRM my faith in the Lord Jesus Christ and my fidelity to the teachings of the Catholic Church. I practice my Catholic faith by regularly joining in the celebration of Sunday Mass and Communion.

I am a registered and/or active member of _____ parish (name of church) and fulfill my obligation to my parish to the best of my ability.

I AFFIRM that I have received the Sacrament of Baptism, Holy Eucharist and Confirmation.

I DO, therefore, solemnly affirm that I meet all the necessary requirements to act as a sponsor, so help me God.

Confirmation Candidate's First and Last Name - PLEASE PRINT

Sponsor's Name – PLEASE PRINT

Sponsor's Signature

Sponsor's Relationship to the candidate

Sponsor's Phone Number

Sponsor's Address

Address of Parish where Sponsor is registered/attends

(Parish Seal)

Place & Year of Sponsor's Confirmation

Signature of Parish Priest where Sponsor is registered/attends

Envelope # (Only if sponsor is active and registered at Corpus Christi)

**IF SPONSOR IS AN ACTIVE, REGISTERED MEMBER AT CORPUS CHRISTI,
NO PARISH SEAL/PASTOR'S SIGNATURE IS NEEDED. FILL OUT, PROVIDE ENVELOPE #, AND SUBMIT.**

**IF SPONSORS ARE REGISTERED AT A DIFFERENT PARISH, THEY MUST RECEIVE A PARISH
SEAL/PASTOR'S SIGNATURE FROM THEIR RESPECTIVE CHURCH.**

Additional Information for choosing a Confirmation sponsor

- There should be a single sponsor for each of those confirmed (Rite of Confirmation, 5). It is not recommended that two or more candidates share the same sponsor.
- Each candidate may have only one sponsor and the sponsor does not have to be of the same gender as the candidate.
- It is desirable that one of the baptismal godparents also be the sponsor at Confirmation. This expresses more clearly the relationship between Baptism and Confirmation and also makes the function and responsibility of the sponsor more effective. Nonetheless, the choice of a special sponsor for Confirmation is not excluded, meaning it is up to the candidate to choose their sponsor.
- Each candidate may have only one sponsor and the sponsor does not have to be of the same gender as the candidate.
- Sponsors should be chosen because they will be able to be present for the scheduled celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation and available thereafter to help the newly confirmed fulfill their baptismal promises.
- If from the same parish or locality, it is recommended that sponsors, along with parents, join the candidates on their faith journey during the period of immediate preparation.

Why does the Church have these requirements?

The role of the Confirmation Sponsor is significant. Being a sponsor includes the responsibility of the sponsor providing the candidate prayerful support and guidance in his or her Christian walk and to “take care that the confirmed person behaves as a true witness of Christ and faithfully fulfills the obligations inherent in this sacrament” (Canon 892).

To be a candidate’s sponsor means being an example of what it means to serve and participate fully in the Catholic church. This example should be in correlation with a potential sponsor’s Christ-centered lifestyle *in union* with the Catholic church community.

IMPORTANT: A TEEN IS ONLY PERMITTED **ONE** SPONSOR. THEY CAN BE MALE OR FEMALE.

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