

Choosing Your Confirmation Sponsor

- ♦ A confirmation sponsor is a special person who, by their example, shows you how to live your Catholic faith every day. They live a life that reflects the teachings of Jesus Christ.
- ♦ Your sponsor needs to be over the age of 16. A parent **cannot** be a sponsor, but an older sibling can be if they meet the qualifications. Many choose one of their baptismal godparents. Please **do not** ask someone you are romantically involved with.
- ♦ A sponsor must be a fully initiated and practicing Catholic: one who has celebrated the sacraments of Baptism, the Holy Eucharist and Confirmation and attends Mass and receives Holy Communion on a regular basis.
- ♦ You want someone you are comfortable talking to. Choose a person who will not only listen as you share this faith journey with them, but will also speak to you about their own faith and beliefs.
- ♦ The sponsor should be a significant person in your life. You are looking for someone you trust, whose faith you admire and who will be there for you. The purpose of the relationship between you and your sponsor is to lead you into a deeper relationship with Jesus.
- ♦ In choosing a sponsor, pray to God for guidance.

How It Works

1. Once you have asked someone to be your sponsor and they have accepted, please fill out the **“My Confirmation Sponsor”** form and have you sponsor fill out and sign the **“Confirmation Sponsor Form”**. This needs to be signed by the Pastor or Parochial Vicar of your Sponsor’s Parish. Please return them by **Wednesday, October 2, 2024.**
2. You and your sponsor are asked to participate in activities together. Some recommended activities are:
 - A meeting to discuss a series of questions to help you get to know each other a little better. (This is required)
 - Attend Mass together and share a meal before or after. This is an opportunity to share and discuss your faith.
 - You may also want to ask your sponsor to complete your service hours with you.
 - You may also want to involve your sponsor in picking your “Saint Name”. The name you choose should be personal and meaningful to you, but if you are having trouble choosing, a dialog between you and your sponsor may be helpful.

If you have any questions, please contact Nicole Macedo at (803) 773-3524 (office) or Nicole@sasjrcc.org

Thank you!

My Confirmation Sponsor

I have chosen _____ to be my
Confirmation sponsor.

Sponsor's address _____

City _____ State _____

Zip _____ Phone number _____

Relationship to you _____

Your name _____

Please hand in by October 2, 2024

Question and Answer Session

Instructions for Confirmation Student:

Arrange a time to meet with your sponsor, in person or on the telephone or via skype. Below are questions to ask your sponsor. Feel free to ask any other questions you may have. You **do not** need to write out the answers. This is meant to be an opportunity for you to get to know your sponsor better. Please have this completed ***no later than November 13, 2024***

1. Where were you born and raised? How did you come to be Catholic?
2. What is your current occupation? What do you like and dislike about it?
3. What activities do you enjoy doing?
4. What is your favorite place in the church you attend?
5. What is one thing you really like about the Mass?
6. What does following Jesus mean to you?
7. How are you involved in your church? In your community?
8. What do you remember about your confirmation preparation and your actual confirmation?
9. Do you have a favorite saint? Why are they special to you?
10. Which commandment do you find most difficult to follow?
11. How do you include prayer in your life?
12. What advice would you offer to me as I prepare to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation?