

Name of Person Being Confirmed: \_\_\_\_\_

This form should be completed and returned to: Nan Tiedeman  
SMM Religious Education  
123 N 61st St  
Omaha, NE 68132 (or brought to **Candidate/Sponsor Spirit Day**).

## Sponsor Information Form *Personal Information*

Full Name of Sponsor (Mr./Mrs./Ms./Miss/Dr./Fr.) \_\_\_\_\_  
(Circle one)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ (Must be at least 16 years of age.)  
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### ***Sacramental and Canonical Information***

*Please initial each statement, verifying it as a true statement.*

I have been baptized. \_\_\_\_\_

I have been confirmed in the Catholic Church. \_\_\_\_\_

I have already received the sacrament of the Most Holy Eucharist. \_\_\_\_\_

I am leading a life in harmony with the faith. \_\_\_\_\_

To my knowledge, I am not bound by any canonical penalty that would prevent me from fulfilling the role of sponsor. (Examples include: divorced *and* remarried without the benefit of an annulment, married outside the Catholic Church.) \_\_\_\_\_

I am not the mother or father of the candidate to be sponsored. \_\_\_\_\_

### ***Designation and Statement of Intention***

As one preparing to receive the Sacraments of Christian Initiation, I hereby designate the undersigned to be my sponsor.

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Signature of Candidate or Parent/Guardian of Candidate*

As a sponsor, I affirm the qualifications listed above, and I intend to assist this minor in Christian Initiation and to see to it that he/she acts as a true witness to Christ by helping him/her to lead a Christian life in harmony with the sacrament(s) to be received and to faithfully fulfill the obligations connected with the sacraments.

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Signature of Sponsor*

## What the Law says Regarding Sponsors

The Church's law, as delineated in the Code of Canon Law has the following things to say about the role of the sponsor as well as the qualifications required of one who wishes to take on this role with its responsibilities.

- 1) Insofar as possible one to be baptized/confirmed is to be given a sponsor who is to assist an adult in Christian initiation and who will help the baptized/confirmed to lead a Christian life in harmony with baptism and to fulfill faithfully the obligations connected with it.
- 2) Only one male or one female sponsor or one of each sex is to be employed. (The sponsor does not need to be of the same sex as the one to be baptized or confirmed.)
- 3) The sponsor must be designated by the one to be baptized/confirmed or by the parents/guardians and is to have the qualifications and intention of performing this role. It is the sponsor's duty to see that the baptized and confirmed person acts as a true witness to Christ and faithfully fulfills the obligations connected with these sacraments.
- 4) The sponsor must have completed his or her sixteenth year of age.
- 5) The sponsor must be a Catholic who has been confirmed and has already received the sacrament of the Most Holy Eucharist and leads a life in harmony with the faith and the role to be undertaken.
- 6) The sponsor cannot be bound by any canonical penalty legitimately imposed or declared. (Examples include: one who is divorced *and* remarried without the benefit of an annulment, one who is married outside the Catholic Church.)
- 7) The sponsor may not be the father or the mother of the one to be baptized/confirmed.