

## Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church

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## **Sponsor Eligibility Statement**

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	a partici rm that:	pating member of the Catholic community	y of Blessed Sacrament I	
yes	no	I am a practicing Catholic who has received the three sacraments of initiation: Baptism, Holy Eucharist and Confirmation.		
yes	no	I participate in weekly Sunday Mass, as well as Holy Days of Obligation, and give witness to my faith in Jesus Christ by regularly receiving Holy Communion.		
yes	no	If I am married, my current marriage is a valid Catholic marriage; I am not cohabitating; that is, living together without marriage.		
yes	no	I am at least 16 years old.		
yes	no	I actively strive to live out my commitment to Christ and to the community life of the Church by my loving response to those with whom I come in contact daily.		
yes	no	I will give support to the person I am sponsoring by my prayers and by the Christian example of my daily life.		
		Signature of Sponsor	Date	
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		Signature of Priest	Date	

TO: Those Accepting Role of Sponsor

FROM: Blessed Sacrament Church

Dear Friend in Christ.

Congratulations on having been asked to serve as sponsor for Confirmation! This is a wonderful privilege and not one to be taken lightly.

I offer the following to you for your consideration as you become more involved in this new role. You are called—

- 1. <u>To witness</u>, by your life, how a Catholic Christian lives in today's world. Your concern for life, justice, and peace, for the poor and oppressed, and your involvement in doing good for others are the strength of your life as a witness.
- 2. <u>To guide</u> in times of doubt, indecision, confusion, to be a good listener, ready to give advice as a Christian adult when asked.
- 3. to be a friend, one who is "there" when needed, one who can be trusted,
- 4. to take an interest in the Confirmation program your young friend is involved in,
- 5. <u>to get to know</u> the candidate in a new way, as a sincerely interested young Catholic, freely coming to Confirmation, and ready to take on a mature responsibility as a Catholic in his or her sphere of influence,
- 6. <u>to be ready</u> to publicly vouch for the candidate's readiness to take on the role of one sent forth to bring the Good News of Jesus Christ to others by the quality of his or her Catholic life.

Above all, it is expected that, as a person of regular prayer, one who celebrates the Sunday Mass with a parish church and leads a sacramental life, you will begin to pray each day for your young friend that, filled with the Holy Spirit, s/he will be a light to others, just as you are to the candidate.