

CONFIRMATION SPONSOR

(to be completed by Sponsor)

*The role of the sponsor during confirmation preparation is to be a faith mentor to the candidate (student). The sponsor represents the Church, and must take an active role in preparing the candidate for confirmation through personal example, aiding in his/her instruction when necessary, and helping the candidate to get better acquainted with the Catholic Church as an active member. The sponsor is a role different than a parent, therefore **parents cannot be sponsors to their own child**. They do not have to be of the same gender as the candidate. The staff at St. Joseph's Church will be in contact with the sponsor throughout confirmation preparation to assist him/her in their role.*

SPONSOR QUALIFICATIONS

A sponsor must:

- be **mature enough** to understand, accept and carry out the duties of representing the Church.

- have **received the 3 initiation sacraments in the Catholic Church:**
Baptism, Eucharist, & Confirmation.

- be a **member of the Catholic Church** and should be **leading an exemplary life** consistent with the Catholic Faith through **regular attendance at Mass, and following the teaching of the Catholic Church**. (If there are questions about the Catholic obligations of marriage, see your parish priest).

- be a **local, visible** example to the candidate.

I, _____ accept these responsibilities, and understand my role, function and
(Sponsor's signature)

requirements as a sponsor for: _____
(Confirmation student's name)

SPONSOR INFORMATION:

NAME OF SPONSOR: (please print) _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY, STATE, ZIP: _____ PHONE: _____

Please indicate:

_____ I am an active member of St. Joseph's Parish in Holland, NY.

_____ I belong to _____ Parish in _____, and will submit a Letter of
(name of Parish) (city or town)
Recommendation as soon as possible. (Letters may be dropped off, mailed or faxed to our rectory).

CONFIRMATION SPONSOR

(to be completed by Student)

*The role of your sponsor during confirmation preparation is to be a **faith mentor** to you. Your sponsor represents the Church, and must take an **active role** in preparing you for confirmation through **personal example, aiding you in instruction** when necessary, and **helping you to get better acquainted with the Catholic Church** as an active member. Your sponsor's role is different than a parent; therefore, your parent cannot be your sponsor. They do not have to be of your same gender. The staff at St. Joseph's Church will be in contact with the sponsor throughout confirmation preparation to assist him/her in their role.*

REQUIREMENTS FOR A SPONSOR

Your sponsor must:

- be **mature enough** to understand, accept and carry out the duties of representing the Church.
- have **received the 3 initiation sacraments in the Catholic Church:**
Baptism, Eucharist, & Confirmation.
- be a **member of the Catholic Church** and should be **leading an exemplary life** consistent with the Catholic Faith through **regular attendance at Mass and following the teaching of the Catholic Church.** (If there are questions about the Catholic obligations of marriage, they should see their parish priest).
- be a **local, visible** example to you (living in Western New York).

People to consider are: your godparents, other family members, family friends, someone you admire from your school or neighborhood, or one of our parishioners.

STUDENT NAME _____

SPONSOR INFORMATION:

NAME OF SPONSOR _____

SPONSOR'S ADDRESS _____

CITY, STATE, ZIP _____ PHONE _____

Why have you chosen this person to be your sponsor? _____

