

**HOLY ROSARY / ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH COMMUNITIES  
CONFIRMATION SPONSOR CONTRACT**

**QUALIFICATIONS:**

1. A sponsor for a candidate for Confirmation must be a practicing Catholic who leads a life in harmony with the Faith (i.e. able to receive the Eucharist, if married, married in the Catholic Church). A sponsor must also be one who is willing and disposed to carry out the responsibilities of a sponsor, and who is not the parent of the candidate.
2. The sponsor is to be one who shows ability to witness to the life and practice of the Catholic Faith. (Canons: 874 & 893, #1)
3. He/She must be at least 16 years of age and have already received the Sacrament of Confirmation and the Sacrament of the Most Holy Eucharist. (Canon:870)
4. It is desirable, but not necessary, that the one who undertook the role of sponsor at Baptism be also a sponsor for Confirmation. (Canon:893,#2)
5. The sponsor should be sufficiently mature to act as a teacher, guide and friend for the candidate.
6. Due to the active involvement of the sponsor with the candidate, the sponsor should live in close proximity to the Hilmar area.
7. If the sponsor is not from this parish, he/she must have a letter of recommendation from their Priest.
8. A sponsor needs proof or verification of Confirmation and if married a copy of the marriage certificate.

**INVOLVEMENT:**

1. The sponsor should be willing to help the candidate prepare for the Sacrament of Confirmation by being a teacher, friend and guide to the Good News of Christ and be a continuing source of Catholic-Christian influence after Confirmation.
2. In agreeing to be a sponsor, an individual is committing himself/herself to attending a sponsor/candidate meeting and a day retreat (each year), along with fully participating in all activities.

CANDIDATE'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

SPONSOR'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

SPONSOR'S ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

SPONSOR'S PHONE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE OF SPONSOR: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Office of Religious Education**  
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SPONSOR NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ HOME PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_  
 ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ CELL PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_  
 DATE OF BIRTH \_\_\_\_\_ AGE: \_\_\_\_\_ ARE YOU CATHOLIC? \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No

Please give us the dates and places of the following Sacraments you have received:

<u>Sacraments</u>	<u>Church Name</u>	<u>City &amp; State</u>	<u>Date</u>
Baptism	_____	_____	_____
First Communion	_____	_____	_____
Confirmation	_____	_____	_____
Matrimony	_____	_____	_____

If you are married, are you married by a Catholic Priest or Deacon? \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No  
 What religion is your spouse? \_\_\_\_\_  
 Are you a member of Holy Rosary or St.Mary's? If not, what Parish? \_\_\_\_\_  
 Do you attend Mass and receive the sacraments regularly? \_\_\_\_\_

**Name of Candidate:** \_\_\_\_\_  
 Why do you wish to sponsor this person? \_\_\_\_\_  
 What do you hope to give to this person? \_\_\_\_\_  
 What do you see yourself gaining from helping someone else continue their Catholic faith? \_\_\_\_\_

By signing below I agree to the qualifications on the back.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Sponsor Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**TO BE COMPLETED AND SEALED BY THE PARISH OF THE GODPARENT**

I know the above named person to be a Catholic who has received the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist and if married Marriage. This person participated regularly in the life of the Catholic Church, is bound by no canonical penalty, and is able to fulfill the responsibilities involved in sponsoring the Catholic initiation of another. \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Other (Please comment) \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Church \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ (seal)