

Good Shepherd Catholic Church  
9539 Racquet Court, Elk Grove, CA 95758  
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**CONFIRMATION SPONSOR PROMISE OF COMMITMENT**

Sponsor must meet the prescribed qualifications per Cannon Law. See the reverse side of this form to review the Sponsor's role & qualifications.

**To be completed by the Sponsor**

Confirmation Candidate's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Street City State Zip Code*

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Are you an active/practicing Catholic? \_\_\_\_\_

Church where Baptized: \_\_\_\_\_  
*(Parish Name, City, State, Country)*

Church where Confirmed: \_\_\_\_\_  
*(Parish Name, City, State, Country)*

Are you married? \_\_\_\_\_ By a Catholic Priest? \_\_\_\_\_

Church where married: \_\_\_\_\_  
*(Parish Name, City, State, Country)*

I realize that I assume a great responsibility before God and the Church in becoming a sponsor. I intend to encourage and support the one I am sponsoring in the practice of the Catholic Faith by my word and example.

I further promise that I will participate in any activities required of me by Good Shepherd Catholic Church in helping to prepare my Candidate to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Signature of Confirmation Sponsor: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_



**The sponsor must take this form to their parish and have their priest or deacon give written consent.**

I know the above named person to be Catholic who has received the Sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation. This person participates 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 explain)

Name of Priest or Deacon \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Priest or Deacon: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parish: \_\_\_\_\_  
*(Parish Name, City, State, Country)*

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**SPONSOR'S ROLE:** The sponsor represents the support and prayer of the entire Church and he/she will be the candidate's "spiritual friend & companion" on this faith journey. The following is asked of the sponsor.

- Accompany your candidate on their Confirmation Preparation journey.
- Meet with your candidate regularly throughout the preparation process and to discuss the topics addressed in the preparation sessions – either in person or virtually.
- Share your faith story with your candidate.
- Spend time getting to know your candidate.
- Pray for and with your candidate.
- Attend the shared Candidate/Sponsor events at the parish: Candidate/Sponsor Retreat, Confirmation rehearsal and Confirmation Mass. Please consider attending other Parish and Confirmation Preparation related events that your candidate invites you to share with them.
- Present the candidate during the Confirmation Rite.
- Continue to be there for your candidate and lend spiritual support long after the Confirmation Mass is over.

**SPONSOR QUALIFICATIONS:** According to Canon Law, a Sponsor must...

- Be a confirmed & practicing Catholic
- Be at least 16 years of age
- If the Sponsor is married, he/she must have been married in the Catholic Church by a Catholic Priest.
- The Sponsor may not be the candidate's mother or father.
- The candidate may select only ONE Sponsor to present him/her during the Confirmation Rite and be the Sponsor of Record.
- The candidate is encouraged to choose someone who lives close by. The sponsor should be a person who is prayerful, open, dependable, loving, and is comfortable sharing his or her faith with their Confirmation Candidate.