

Good Shepherd Catholic Church, Elk Grove, CA
Confirmation Sponsor Promise of Commitment

Page 1 is to be completed & signed by the SPONSOR

Confirmation Candidate's First & Last Name: _____

Sponsor's First & Last Name: _____

Sponsor's Telephone: _____

Sponsor's Email: _____

Sponsor's Address: _____
Street City State Zip Code

Church where you (Sponsor) were baptized: _____

Church where you (Sponsor) were confirmed: _____

Are you currently married? Yes No By a Catholic Priest or Deacon? Yes No (This is a disqualifier)

Church where you were married: _____

If you are not married, are you: Widow/Widower (OK) Single & not living with a partner (OK) Single & living with a partner (This is a disqualifier)

Sponsor Requirements: ALL the following requirements must be met in order to be a Confirmation Sponsor. Initial each requirement below to confirm you meet it.

_____ I am at least 16 years old.

_____ I am a Roman Catholic who has received the Sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation. I receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation at least once a year.

_____ I am a practicing Catholic who attends weekly Mass and Holy Days of Obligation.

_____ I believe in and live my life according to the teachings of the Church.

_____ I am NOT the parent/step-parent of the Candidate for Confirmation

FROM THE CODE OF CANON LAW: Sponsors for the Confirmation must be Catholics who have been confirmed and have received the Sacrament of Eucharist. They must be free from canonical penalty and must lead a life in harmony with the faith in keeping with function to be undertaken. (Canons #874 & 893)

I affirm that the above canonical requirements are fulfilled for being a Confirmation Sponsor and I am living a sacramental life in communion with the Church and I promise to be the best possible example to my Candidate in word and deed.

Signature of Confirmation Sponsor: _____ **Date:** _____

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.

- Meet with your candidate regularly throughout the preparation process and to discuss the topics addressed in the preparation sessions – either in person or virtually. This will involve sharing your own faith story with the 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 also attending other Parish and Confirmation Preparation related events that your candidate invites you to share with them.
- Present the candidate to the Bishop during the Confirmation Rite at their Confirmation Mass.
- Continue to be there for your candidate and lend spiritual support after the Confirmation Mass is over.

Page 2 of this form is to be completed by the PARISH ADIMINISTRATOR at the SPONSOR'S parish where they are currently registered and attend Mass.

