

Good Shepherd Catholic Church

OCIA Godparent /Sponsor Form

Name of Catechumen/Candidate: _____

Name of Godparent/Sponsor: _____

Address: _____

Phone Home: _____ Cell: _____

Email: _____

Home Parish, City: _____

The role of a godparent/sponsor is to journey with the catechumen (unbaptized) or candidate (baptized) during his or her OCIA experience, and beyond, as a mature example of a practicing Catholic Christian , born out in a life of faith, prayer and service. A strong and essential two-way bond is formed over the course of the year between the OCIA member and godparent/sponsor.

Requirements to serve as a godparent/ sponsor

- 1) Received the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist.
- 2) Be at least 18 years of age
- 3) If married, married in the Church. If single, not cohabitating
- 4) May not be the candidate's parent, spouse or fiancé
- 5) Practicing the Catholic faith, by attending Mass and Holy Days regularly, and receiving the sacrament of Reconciliation.

Required events for Godparents/Sponsors:

TBA	Godparent/Sponsor Training	6:30-8:00 PM	TBA
TBA	Discernment Interview #1Due	TBD	
TBA	Rite of Welcoming	8:30 AM Mass	Church
TBA	Discernment Interview #2	TBD	
TBA	Rite of Sending	8:30-11:30 AM	Church
TBA	Rite of Election	7-8:30 AM	Cathedral
TBA	Scrutiny 1 Presentation of Creed	9:00-11:30AM	JP II Rm
TBA	Scrutiny 2	9:00-11:30 AM	JP II Rm
TBA	Scrutiny 3 Presentation of Lord's Prayer	9:00-11:30 AM	JP II Rm
3/20/27	All Day Retreat; Reconciliation	9 AM - 4:30 PM	Hall
3/27/27	Rite of Ephphatha and rehearsal	10-12 AM	Church
	Easter Vigil Mass	8 PM	Church
5/16/27	End of the Year	TBD	

I understand and accept the responsibilities of the Godparent/Sponsor. Signature or typed name _____