

## Choosing a Sponsor

A qualified Sponsor must present all Confirmation Candidates to the Bishop. This Sponsor, while chosen by the Candidate, must have certain qualities that are spelled out fully in Church law (Canon Law 874). A Sponsor:

- **Must be a Catholic who actively practices the faith.**  
(Is able to show regular Mass attendance through use of Church envelopes [required for Saint Lucie Parish])
- **Must be at least 16 years old and already Confirmed**
- **May not be the Candidate's parent.**
- **Need not be the same sex as the Candidates**

While not a part of the law, it is suggested that a Candidate select one of their godparents as their Confirmation Sponsor. This expresses, more clearly, the relationship between Baptism and Confirmation and Sacraments of Initiation and makes the function and responsibility of the Sponsor more effective. However, Candidates may choose a special Sponsor for Confirmation.

In addition to the requirements stated above, you may want to consider the following when choosing a Sponsor.

- ❖ Is the life of this person a testimony to their commitment to the Lord and to the Catholic Church?
- ❖ Will this person be willing and eager to guide you as you continue to learn:
  - to pray?
  - to witness?
  - to recognize the workings of the Holy Spirit?
  - more about the Catholic faith?
  - more about your parish and how to participate in parish life?
  - how to overcome doubts, fear and temptation through your relationship with God?
- ❖ Will this person pray for you regularly?
- ❖ Are you able to approach this person with questions you have about your faith and spirituality?

# Saint Lucie Catholic Church

"Faith Working through Love" Gal 5:6

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## Confirmation Sponsor Information and Certificate

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

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

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Parish \_\_\_\_\_

*I declare that I am a Baptized and Confirmed Catholic. I believe all that the Catholic Church believes and proclaims to be revealed by God, and I make a serious effort to live a good moral life worthy of imitation. As a practicing Catholic, I participate at Mass on Sundays and Holy Days, and I receive the Sacraments of Eucharist and Reconciliation regularly. I realize that I assume a great responsibility before God and the Church in becoming a sponsor.*

*I have read and understand the requirements to be a Sponsor and I testify that I fulfill the qualifications. I understand that my primary role as a sponsor is to be a good model of Catholic Christian living for the candidate I am sponsoring.*

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(Signature of Sponsor)

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(Date)

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### Sponsor Certificate

*This certifies that I know the above named person as a parishioner in good standing. I testify that he/she is qualified to serve as a Sponsor for the Sacrament of Confirmation.*



**Pastor's Signature** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name of Parish** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parish Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone #** \_\_\_\_\_