

Choosing a Sponsor for Confirmation

Because Confirmation is the completion of Baptism, the Liturgy of Confirmation is patterned after the Baptismal Liturgy. Your sponsor will present you to the Bishop or Celebrant when you step forward to be confirmed. You are encouraged to choose one of your Baptismal Godparents for this role. If that is not possible, choose someone whom you consider to be a role model for living the Catholic faith. The requirements for Confirmation Sponsorship are listed below.

1. A sponsor must be a Catholic who actively practices the faith.
2. A sponsor must be at least 16 years old and already confirmed.
3. If married, the marriage must be valid according to Church law.
4. A sponsor may not be a parent of the candidate.
5. A sponsor need not be the same gender as the candidate.
6. A sponsor will support the candidate in their commitment to the Catholic Church.
7. **All sponsors must have a *Sponsor Letter of Eligibility for Confirmation* sent from their current Catholic parish to the Religious Education Office no later than Wednesday, November 4, 2009. This applies to sponsors who are SSPP parishioners as well. A copy of this form is available on the parish website www.sspeterandpaul.net.**
8. If the sponsor cannot attend the Confirmation Mass, a proxy may stand in for the sponsor.

