ARCHDIOCESE OF DENVER

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CATHOLIC PARISH & SCHOOL

Godparent/Sponsor Eligibility Form

Congratulations on being asked to be a Godparent or Sponsor! By accepting this role, you are committing to play a significant role in this person's life, sharing the faith and encouraging him/her in his/her journey as a Catholic. If you are serving as a godparent for infant baptism, please attend a preparation class at your parish prior to the scheduled baptism. Please take the completed form to your parish and have it signed by the pastor or their representative. **Once complete, please return the form to the parents/person.**

Person receiving sacrament: _____
First Name Middle Last

Age: ☐ Infant-7yrs ☐ 2nd-5th Grade ☐ 6th-12th Grade ☐ Adult

Godparent/Sponsor: _____
First Name Middle Last

_____ _____ _____
Cell Phone Home Phone Email Address

Your Catholic Parish: _____
Parish Name City State

Qualifications of a Godparent/Sponsor: In accord with *Canon Law 874*, please provide the following information. **If you do not meet all of these requirements, please let the parents/person know immediately.**

1. A Godparent/Sponsor must be fully initiated into the Catholic Church.
   Have you received the three Sacraments of Initiation?
   - Baptism ☐ Yes ☐ No
   - Confirmed in the Catholic Church ☐ Yes ☐ No
   - First Eucharist ☐ Yes ☐ No
2. A Godparent/Sponsor must be at least 16 years old. Are you 16 or older? ☐ Yes ☐ No
3. A Godparent/Sponsor cannot be a parent of the person to be baptized. Are you a parent of the person? ☐ Yes ☐ No
4. A Godparent or Sponsor must be a practicing Catholic.
   - Do you attend Mass on Sunday and on Holy Days of Obligation? ☐ Yes ☐ No
   - Do you regularly (at least annually) receive the sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Communion? ☐ Yes ☐ No
   - Do you follow the Ten Commandments? ☐ Yes ☐ No
5. Regarding the 6th Commandment, a Godparent/Sponsor must be in good standing with the Catholic Church.
   - If married, he/she must be married in the Catholic Church and living in accord with Church teaching.
   - If single, he/she must be living according to Church teaching.
   - Catholics who were married by a Justice of the Peace, at another Christian church without special permission, and those cohabitating do not meet the requirements of this role.

   Based on these guidelines, are you in good standing with the Church? ☐ Yes ☐ No
6. *Godparent of infant-to-under-7-yrs* ONLY—I attended baptism prep class in the last 3 years:

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Location of baptism preparation class Date

I have truthfully answered the above questions and declare that I fulfill the Catholic Church's requirements of a Godparent/Sponsor. I commit to the responsibility of acting as a Godparent/Sponsor through prayer, example, and guidance.

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Godparent/Sponsor Signature Date

The person who has signed this form above has testified that they fulfill all canonical requirements to serve as a Godparent in the Catholic Church. To be signed and sealed by the Godparent's/Sponsor's Parish of Record:

(Seal)

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Signature of Pastor or Pastor's Designee Date

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Parish Name Parish City/State