

SPONSOR ELIGIBILITY FORM
(For Confirmation)

Any infant, child or adult seeking Confirmation needs a SPONSOR. In Baptism Sponsors are often called "Godparents" and there are two, a godfather and a godmother. In Confirmation they are called sponsors and there is only one, you may, however, have your godparents act as sponsors for Confirmation.

PARENTS ARE NOT ELIGIBLE TO BE SPONSORS FOR THEIR OWN CHILDREN. Husbands and wives can not be sponsors for each other. A sponsor is someone of strong faith in the Catholic tradition. He or she must be willing to make a commitment to the candidate for a sacrament and guide the candidate in the area of spirituality.

A Sponsor must be at least sixteen years of age and must be baptized and confirmed in the Catholic Church and in right relationship with the Church. Any exception to this must be granted by the Pastor for good pastoral reasons. This means that the Sponsor is registered in the parish, attends Mass and receives the sacraments regularly and is able to share his/her faith openly with the candidate.

A Sponsor does not need to be a member of Divine Mercy Church or live in the local area. The Sponsor should be present at the celebration of Confirmation, but if that is not possible a proxy may stand in for them.

The form below is required for each sponsor. If they are a member of Divine Mercy please complete the form and return it the office of Religious Education for Fr. Farrell to sign. If they are not a member of Divine Mercy they must have their Pastor complete and sign the form. **A candidate can not be Confirmed without this form completed and on file in the parish office.**

Please print clearly

Candidates Full Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Sponsor's Name: _____

Sponsor's Address: _____
City State Zip

Sponsor's Phone Number: _____

Sponsor's Parish: _____

Parish Address: _____
City State Zip

Relationship to the Candidate: _____

Pastor's Attestation:

I declare that the above named sponsor is a baptized and confirmed Catholic, at least 16 years of age, in right relationship with the Church, and is a registered, practicing member of this parish.

Pastor's Signature

Date