



GODPARENT CERTIFICATE FOR BAPTISM

HOLY FAMILY & ST. JOHN VIANNEY PARISHES

The Godparent (Sponsor) serves as a witness, guide and companion for a candidate preparing for baptism in the Catholic Church. The Sponsor must meet the requirements of Canon Law (canon 874) and not be bound by any canonical penalty.

Full Name of Person being baptized: _____

Sponsor Name: _____

As a practicing Catholic, I appreciate that being a sponsor is an important opportunity to give witness to my faith and provide a good example of Catholic life. I have considered what I have been asked to do, and promise, with God's help, to be the best sponsor I can be.

I affirm that:

- ☐ I am at least 16 years old
- ☐ I am a fully initiated Catholic (received Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation)
- ☐ If married, I have been married in the Catholic Church
 - ☐ I am not married
- ☐ I am a registered member of a parish community, which is:

Parish Name _____ City, State _____

- ☐ I will strive to be a good example of Catholic life
- ☐ I will do my best to maintain a consistent, life-giving relationship of faith with the candidate, supporting them through the struggles and triumphs of living a Christian life.

Signature of Sponsor: _____ **Date:** _____

Sponsor's Email: _____ Sponsor's Phone: _____

If you are NOT a member of Holy Family or St. John Vianney parish, please ask your pastor or his delegate to complete the following:

PASTOR'S PERMISSION TO BE A SPONSOR

This is to certify that the person signed above is a registered member in good standing at this parish, and to the best of my knowledge, is qualified to serve as a sponsor.

Pastor

Date

Name of parish and location

parish seal