

Choosing a Confirmation Sponsor

(Due on or before December 31st)

The time has come for you to choose a sponsor for Confirmation. Your sponsor should be someone who lives the gift of faith in a way that inspires you and provides a positive role model for you. Your sponsor should play an important FAITH role in your life, not just a social role. The person you choose as a sponsor should be someone with whom you feel comfortable and with whom you can discuss important choices throughout your life. Your sponsor should also be someone who will challenge and encourage you to grow in faith.

Your first thought might be that your parents already provide all the qualities of a sponsor and hopefully they do. Because they already have a faith role in your life, church law requires that you choose someone **other** than parents to be your sponsor (this includes step-parents).

Be sure to read these carefully before asking someone to be your sponsor

If you have any questions concerning the suitability of a person you would like to be your sponsor, please consult with Fr. Jared or Robert Ferri **BEFORE** you ask that person.

Canon Law Requirements for a Sponsor

- be a baptized Catholic
- be 16 years of age
- be an confirmed Catholic; and received the sacrament of Holy Eucharist
- if married, - married by a Catholic Priest

A Pastor will sign a form verifying the information above.

• If your Sponsor does not belong to Christ The King:

- The sponsor must go to their Parish and request a sponsor form. Their Priest will give them the form and then you write the Candidates name on it.
- **The Completed** sponsor form with the candidates name on it must be returned to Religious Formation office (be sure candidate's name is on it)

If your sponsor is a registered member of Christ The King Parish:

Parishioners can go onto the Christ the King (www.ckri.org) website – go to the Religious Education tab then click on the tab - Confirmation under the *green* Choosing a Sponsor button it says **Use our Online Request a Sponsor Form**. Fr Jared will notify the Religious Formation office of completed forms.