

PRE-CONFIRMATION REQUIREMENTS

St. Mark Faith Formation Department



CONFIRMATION SPONSOR

ELIGIBILITY, DUTIES & RESPONSIBILITIES

A Confirmation sponsor provides spiritual guidance and support to the candidate, acting as a mentor and spiritual guide to help your parents with the development of your Faith. This is a lifelong commitment to help the candidate live as a faithful witness of Christ.

Each candidate selects one sponsor—male or female—who ideally is one of their godparents (Canon 893 §2, though not required).

SPONSOR REQUIREMENTS

- You are registered and active member of a Catholic parish, for at least three(3) months.
- You are actively attending Mass and receiving Communion each week.
- A fully initiated Catholic (Baptism, First Communion and Confirmation), This includes the Sacrament of Marriage, if you are married.
- You are at least sixteen(16) years of age.
- Celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation at least once a year.

CONFIRMATION CANDIDATE

- Give the potential Sponsor the attached Sponsor form to complete and to obtain a Sponsor Certificate of Eligibility from their parish.
- Once the form is completed, email it to pvaldivia@stmarkparish.org.
- Turn in the original form to your teacher/catechist.

SPONSOR FORMS ARE DUE JANUARY 2027.

CONFIRMATION NAME

WHY CHOOSE A CONFIRMATION SAINT NAME?

God calls each of us by name. In Scripture, when people were called to new missions, their names often changed—Abram to Abraham, Simon to Peter, Saul to Paul. At Baptism, your parents choose your name. At Confirmation, you choose your own, symbolizing your personal commitment to your faith journey.

Choosing a saint's name expresses your desire to grow in holiness and ask for that saint's prayers and guidance. It marks your readiness to live your faith more intentionally.

WHAT IS A SAINT?

A saint is someone who lived a holy and virtuous life and is now in heaven. Saints serve as role models of faith and devotion, and their prayers are powerful because of their closeness to God.

HOW TO CHOOSE A SAINT NAME?

- Select the name of a canonized Roman Catholic saint (not an archangel).
- Consider saints who inspire you—through their story, their virtues, or their connection to your life.
- Use books or online resources to learn about different saints.

CONFIRMATION CANDIDATE

- Choose a saint you relate to or admire.
- Research their life and accomplishments.
- In your own words, write a brief report explaining:
 - Why you chose this saint
 - What made them worthy of sainthood
 - How their life can inspire your faith journey

SAINT REPORTS ARE DUE DECEMBER 2026.



**ST. MARK THE
EVANGELIST**
CATHOLIC CHURCH



Confirmation Sponsor/Godparent Form

Candidate (Student) Name: _____

Sponsor/Godparent Name: _____

Relationship of Sponsor to Candidate: _____

Sponsor Address: _____

Name and Address of Sponsor's Parish: _____

If Sponsor is a St. Mark parishioner, registration or envelope number: _____

Return this completed form by the stated deadline to:

St. Mark Catholic Church
Attn: Dept. of Faith Formation
5601 S. Flamingo Rd.
Southwest Ranches, FL 33330
Tel. (954) 252-9899 email to: pvaldivia@stmarkparish.org

Below is the official sponsor form. It must be properly signed and impressed with the church seal of the Sponsor's parish.

SPONSOR/GODPARENT CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that (sponsor's name) _____
is a member of this parish and is practicing the Catholic faith. He/She is qualified to act as a Sponsor
for the sacrament of Confirmation or Godparent for the sacrament of Baptism.

Rev. _____ Date: _____

(Signature)

Church Name: _____

Address: _____

Church seal here

