



Sponsor/Godparent Eligibility Certificate

Candidate Name: _____

Sponsor Name: _____

- ☐ St. James, Chamberlain ☐ St. Margaret, Kimball ☐ St. Peter, White Lake
☐ St. John, Plankinton ☐ St. Mary, Stickney

**Please read the following requirements carefully.
These are dictated by the Law of the Church (Canon Law) and cannot be waived by the Pastor.**

From the Code of Canon Law:

1. Sponsors/Godparents for the Sacrament of Baptism and/or Confirmation must be suitable for this role and have the intention of fulfilling it.
2. Sponsors/Godparents must be Catholics not less than sixteen years of age.
3. Sponsors/Godparents must be Catholics who have been baptized, confirmed, and have already received the Sacrament of the Most Holy Eucharist.
4. Sponsors/Godparents must be Catholics who lead a life in harmony with the Catholic Faith and the responsibilities required of a Sponsor/Godparent.
5. Sponsors/Godparents must be Catholics not under any canonical penalty, whether imposed or declared (Canons 874 and 893).

I hereby affirm: that I believe in the Lord Jesus Christ, and that I am faithful to the teachings of the Catholic Church.

I hereby affirm: that I practice my Catholic Faith by regularly attending the celebration of the Mass every Sunday, and I am eligible to receive Holy Communion.

If married: my marriage has been celebrated in the Catholic Church.

If not married: I am not living with anyone in an intimate relationship.

If I have children: I am educating my children in the Catholic Church.

I affirm: that I am a registered member of _____ Catholic Parish,
located at _____
and I participate in the life of my parish to the best of my abilities.

I affirm: that I have received the Sacraments of Baptism, Holy Eucharist, and Confirmation.

I do, therefore, solemnly swear that I meet all the above requirements, which are necessary to act as a sponsor and/or godparent, so help me God.

X _____
Sponsor's Signature

X _____
Sponsor's Name - PLEASE PRINT

Date

X _____
Signature of Sponsor's Pastor