

Parish Sponsor Responsibilities

1. Attendance of assigned rites based on your sponsee's baptismal status is **mandatory**

- a. Certain exceptions apply. Contact the director of Evangelization if Necessary

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2. Attendance of the Thursday night class sessions is **not mandatory, but is highly encouraged** however as not only does it help give you the opportunity to connect with your sponsee in the subjects they're currently learning, but it also gives you the opportunity to possibly sure up your own knowledge of the faith and maybe learn a thing or two!
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3. Meet with your sponsee at least one time per catechetical season for encouragement and fellowship (**At Least 4 Times Throughout**)

- a. Precatechuminate - Between September 10th & November 26th
 - b. Catechumenate - Between December 3rd and February 11th
 - c. Purification and Enlightenment - Between February 16th & March 27th
 - d. Mystagogy - Between April 1st & May 13th
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4. Your main responsibility is to be an encouragement, a good example of the Catholic Faith in real life, and to get to know the Sponsee well enough to vouch for their integrity and character before God during the rites,

- a. You don't need to be an encyclopedia with all the answers to every possible question. If you don't know something, don't make up an answer to a question, but use that as a learning opportunity for yourself and a way to connect with your sponsee in the things they actually care about.
- b. The fact that you don't know everything is actually an apologetic witness for the Catholic church not against it. If you ever have any questions about faith or any concerns for your sponsee the Evangelism Team is here to help!