



GODPARENT/SPONSOR ELIGIBILITY FORM

Dear Godparent/Sponsor:

Congratulations on being asked to be a godparent/sponsor! It will be your privilege and duty to model the Catholic Faith for this individual. You will guide them in living out their Catholic faith with the help and aid of the Holy Spirit. Together, may you ever grow in the love of Christ. Please bring this form to your parish office for the pastor to sign and seal.

Return this form to: **St Mary Cathedral**
606 N Ohio Avenue
Gaylord MI 49735

Godparents/sponsors must meet the following requirements (Canon 874):
Please initial after reading/confirming each statement is true.

- _____ Godparents/sponsors must be at least sixteen years of age.
- _____ Godparents/sponsors must be fully initiated into the Catholic Church through the reception of the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist.
- _____ Godparents/sponsors must lead a life in harmony with the Catholic faith and the role undertaken.
- _____ If married, the godparent/sponsor must have a marriage recognized by the Catholic Church. If unmarried, the godparent/sponsor must not be cohabiting with their significant other.
- _____ Godparents/sponsors must be living in accord with the precepts of the Church:
 - You shall attend Mass on Sunday and on holy days of obligation and rest from servile labor.
 - You shall confess your sins at least once a year.
 - You shall receive the sacrament of the Eucharist at least during the Easter season.
 - You shall observe the days of fasting and abstinence established by the church.
 - You shall help to provide for the needs of the Church (CCC 2041-2043).
- _____ Godparents/sponsors must not be the father nor mother of the Candidate:

Please print clearly:

I affirm that I meet the above requirements. I will give support to _____ for whom I am requesting to be a sponsor by my guidance, prayers, and the Catholic Christian example of my daily life.

Print Godparent/Sponsor Name: _____

Godparent's/Sponsor's parish seal

Godparent/Sponsor Signature: _____

Godparent's/Sponsor's Parish: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **ZIP Code:** _____

Signature of Godparent's/Sponsor's Pastor: _____

