Godfather's Baptismal Covenant
Mary Queen Catholic Church

A child's Godparents are the first helpers for parents when it comes to raising a child who is grounded and strong in his/her Catholic faith. It is an important responsibility. Godparents lead by their strong, moral example, support the child's faith development, and assist the parents in their role as the primary educators of the faith.

Canon law and the Catechism of the Catholic Church clearly outline who is eligible to serve as a Godfather:

-A Godfather must be a fully initiated Catholic (baptized, received First Holy Communion, and is Confirmed) and be at least 16 years of age. He should be registered in a parish, attending Mass weekly, and receiving God's grace through participation in the sacrament of Reconciliation.

-**A Godfather, if married, must be married in the Catholic Church** and be in good standing with the Church. A Godfather can be married to a non-Catholic Christian, but the marriage must have taken place in the Catholic Church.

-Any Catholic who has abandoned the Catholic faith, even if they are now active members in another Christian Church or community, may not serve as a Godfather. They have separated themselves from the Church and cannot even serve as a Christian Witness.

If you meet all the requirements to be a Godfather, please complete the form below and return the completed signed form to Anita Shorosky at anitashorosky@maryqueenchurch.org.

Godchild's Name: _____

Godfather's Name: _____

Parish Where Registered: _____
Parish Address: _____City, State: _____

Sacramental History of Godfather

Baptized at: _____
City/State: _____Date: _____

Confirmed at: _____
City/State: _____Date: _____

If married, please list the Catholic Church where married, along with the city/state and date. Reminder – If you were not married in the Catholic Church or were married in the Catholic Church but are divorced and your marriage was not annulled; you may NOT serve as a Godfather.

Married at: _____
City/State: _____Date: _____

I understand the requirements above for being a Godfather and by my signature below, state that the information that I have provided is correct and that I meet these requirements and pledge to fulfill my duty to the best of my ability.

Signature: _____Date: _____