

SPONSOR CERTIFICATE

Full Name of Sponsor _____ Phone _____

Address _____ Email _____

Statement of Sponsor: As a practicing Catholic, I understand that the role of sponsor (godparent) is an important opportunity for me to witness my faith and provide a good example of Catholic life. I have conscientiously considered what I have been asked to do. I promise, with God's help, to be the best sponsor I can be.

I affirm that I meet all of the following qualifications for sponsorship: (please **initial** each line if true)

- _____ I am at least 16 years of age, and I am not the parent of the person receiving the sacrament.
- _____ I have received all three sacraments of initiation: Baptism____ Confirmation____ and Eucharist_____.
- _____ I participate in Sunday Mass regularly.
- _____ My marriage was witnessed in the Catholic Church by a priest or deacon. OR _____ I am not married.
- _____ I am a parishioner of (name of church) _____ since (date) _____.

I affirm that I meet all of the requirements listed above to act as a sponsor/godparent. I intend to continue the practice of my Catholic Faith and will do my best to fulfill my role as sponsor.

Signature of Sponsor _____ Date _____

Full Name of Candidate _____

For Baptism or Confirmation Date of Sacrament: _____

Name of Church/ City where Sacrament will take place: _____

CERTIFICATION OF SPONSOR'S PARISH

Please request certification by your pastor at your parish office

To the best of my knowledge, this person is qualified to act as sponsor for the sacrament of Baptism or Confirmation.

Signature of Pastor _____ Date _____ *PARISH SEAL*

Printed Name of Pastor _____

Name of Church, City, State _____ Revised: 04/2018

FORWARDING INSTRUCTIONS (Where should we send this form when complete?)

Name of Church or Individual _____

Mailing Address _____

Thank you for your willingness to be a baptismal sponsor! Your Sponsor Certificate must be received at Saint Brigid **at least two weeks before** the scheduled baptism date.

Qualifications for sponsors:

According to Canon law, a sponsor for the sacrament of baptism or confirmation must meet the following qualifications: All four qualifications must be met by the Catholic sponsor.

A sponsor must be

- at least 16 years of age
- a practicing Catholic who has received the sacraments of Baptism, First Eucharist and Confirmation
- a registered and active parishioner of a Catholic church
- if the sponsor is married, they must be sacramentally married in the Catholic church

If you belong to a different parish (other than Saint Brigid)

Please contact your church and ask to have a sponsor certificate sent on your behalf to Saint Brigid. The certificate must be received at least two week before the scheduled baptism date. Most churches have their own version of the sponsor form, or you can use this form.

Send signed form to: **Saint Brigid Catholic Church, Baptisms**
3400 Old Alabama Road
Johns Creek, GA 30022

If you are a member of Saint Brigid

Complete this Sponsor Certificate form and return to the Saint Brigid office for verification and the pastor's signature. The Sponsor Certificate must be received at Saint Brigid at least two weeks before the scheduled baptism date.

Sponsor Verification Process: Before signing the Sponsor Form, the pastor of Saint Brigid will verify your participation as an active member of Saint Brigid parish.

Please Note ~ if you are not yet officially registered at Saint Brigid, the pastor will not be able to sign your sponsor form. Please go to the parish website at this time and register.

www.saintbrigid.org

If you have any questions, please to contact Kathy Hogan at baptisms@saintbrigid.org