



# Our Lady Queen of Heaven Parish

750 10th Avenue South  
Wisconsin Rapids, WI 54495-4100

*Regina Caeli, Lætare!  
Queen of Heaven, Rejoice!*

## Sacrament of Confirmation • Sponsor Certificate

Those who have been baptized continue on the path of Christian Initiation through the Sacrament of Confirmation, by which they receive the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, whom the Lord sent upon the apostles at Pentecost. By this gift of the Holy Spirit, the faithful are more fully conformed to Christ and are strengthened with the power to bear witness to Christ for the building up of his Body in faith and charity. They are marked with the character or seal of the Lord in such a way that the Sacrament of Confirmation cannot be repeated.

As a rule, each of those to be confirmed should be assisted by a sponsor, who will bring them to receive the Sacrament, will present them to the minister of Confirmation for the sacred anointing, and afterwards will help them to fulfill their baptismal promises faithfully in accordance with the Holy Spirit whom they have received.

With due regard for contemporary pastoral circumstances, it is desirable that the godparent at Baptism, if available, also be the sponsor at Confirmation. In this way the link between Baptism and Confirmation is more clearly expressed and the role and responsibility of the sponsor are exercised more effectively. Nonetheless, the option of choosing a special sponsor for Confirmation is in no way excluded. Each person to be confirmed may have one sponsor, either male or female.

### Section One: Sponsor's Affirmation and Signature

I, \_\_\_\_\_, a registered member of \_\_\_\_\_  
(full name) (name of church)

Catholic Church, located at \_\_\_\_\_  
(address of parish)

have been asked to be a sponsor for \_\_\_\_\_,  
(name of the one to be confirmed)

the son/daughter of \_\_\_\_\_,  
(name of parents)

who reside at \_\_\_\_\_,  
(address of parents)

telephone number: \_\_\_\_\_, e-mail: \_\_\_\_\_  
(best number of parents) (best e-mail of parents)

In accepting the responsibility of a sponsor, I affirm that:

- I am designated to be the sponsor and have the aptitude and the intention of fulfilling this responsibility.
- I am at least 16 years old and mature enough to fulfill this responsibility.
- I am a member of the Catholic Church and I have been fully initiated with the three Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist, and am living a life consistent with the faith and responsibility of a sponsor, including attending Sunday Mass and frequenting the Sacraments regularly and, if married, being in a valid marriage recognized by the Catholic Church or, if not married, not cohabiting with another.
- I am not the parent or step-parent of the person for whom I have been designated to be the sponsor.
- I am not bound by any canonical penalty legitimately imposed or declared.

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I understand and accept the responsibility which I undertake as a sponsor and I promise to take care that the confirmed person behaves as a true witness of Christ and faithfully fulfills the obligations inherent in the Sacrament of Confirmation. Since solicitude for catechesis belongs to all members of the Church according to each one's role, under the direction of legitimate ecclesiastical authority, I further promise to help form the confirmed person by word and example in faith and in the practice of Christian life.

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Signature of Sponsor			Date
Address	City	State	Zip
Home Phone	Cell Phone		
Email			

*Your pastor must sign section two of this form and affix the parish seal. Do not submit without your pastor's signature.*

### **Section Two: Pastor's Certification and Signature**

This is to certify that the sponsor candidate named above is a registered member of this parish in good standing and, to the best of my knowledge, fulfills the requirements of a sponsor and is capable of assuming the duties and responsibilities of the role of a sponsor.

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Signature of Pastor, Parochial Administrator, or Parochial Vicar			Date
Name of Parish			
Address	City	State	Zip
Telephone or E-mail			

*Return to:*

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Attn: Sacramental Records  
750 10th Avenue South  
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*(Parish Seal)*

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