

**THIS SPONSOR FORM  
And Diocese of Rockville Centre  
White Sponsor Form**

**MUST BE COMPLETED AND RETURNED**

**AS PART OF THE CELEBRATION  
SUNDAY, APRIL 14, 2024 6pm MASS- CHURCH**

**PLEASE PRINT ALL INFORMATION**

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(CANDIDATE'S FULL NAME)

Please enter

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(Sponsor's FULL Name)

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(Candidate's Home Telephone Number)

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(School Candidate Attends)

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(Religious Education Room Number)

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(Parent/Guardian Signature)

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**SPONSOR/CANDIDATE**

In past Church practice, the Sponsor for Confirmation often was a friend or relative of a Confirmation Candidate who showed up at the ceremony of Confirmation to place his or her hand on the Candidate's shoulder - and that was about it! Well, times have changed, or better, an ancient way of Sponsoring has been rediscovered.

Today the Church recognizes Sponsors as people who are guides, models, companions, and witnesses - responsible people to whom the Church entrusts the role of accompanying Candidates on their way to Confirmation.

Sponsors are asked to accompany those they Sponsor at various designated times during the process. We provide a special meeting for Sponsors, which outlines the qualities and expectations of all: Sponsor/Candidate. This process is called: "**RESCUE**" [**Religious Education Sponsor Candidate United Effort**].

Form (on back page)

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as part of "Sponsor/Candidate Enrollment Sunday" on

**Sunday, April 14, 2024  
6pm Mass - in the Church.**

## SPONSOR RESPONSIBILITIES

You will be called upon to participate in some or all of the following duties:

### DURING GRADE 7

- \* Accompany your Candidate to the Sponsor Enrollment.
- \* Regularly communicate with your Candidate throughout the entire process.
- \* Commit yourself to daily prayer for your Candidate.

### DURING GRADE 8

- \* Accompany your Candidate to "RESCUE" - a special evening planned for you and meet three (3) times, on their own, during the following months.
- \* Complete "RESCUE" forms
- \* Accompany your Candidate to the "RESCUE" Mass.

### DURING GRADE 9

- \* Accompany your Candidate to "Spirit Night".
- \* Attend the practice session for the Rite of Confirmation with your Candidate.
- \* Join with the parish and your Candidate in celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation.
- \* Continue as a support to the newly confirmed person as he or she discovers more and more about his or her own faith along the way.

Please choose **ONE Sponsor** ***EITHER...***

***OPTION A...CHOOSE ONE*** Baptismal Godparent

**OR**

***OPTION B... CHOOSE ONE*** A confirmed member of the Catholic Faith, at least 16 years of age... from their family/friends... \*

***(EXCLUDING PARENTS)***

- \* A member of the Catholic Faith that has already received the Sacraments of Baptism, Holy Eucharist and Confirmation and a member of the Catholic Faith living a life in harmony with the teachings of the Catholic Church in faith and morals.

**They may choose a MALE or FEMALE Sponsor.**