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## Sponsor Choice

The first choice when deciding who will be your Confirmation sponsor is to consider one of your Baptismal Godparents. The reason for this is to show the intimate connection between Baptism and Confirmation. If this choice is impossible because of present circumstances, your sponsor must meet the following criteria:

- s/he must be a baptized Catholic;
- s/he must have been confirmed;
- s/he must have received the Sacrament of Eucharist;
- s/he is sixteen years old or older;
- s/he is a practicing Catholic (someone who attends Mass and the sacraments faithfully and shows care and concern for others.

The sponsor should also be someone you can trust and want to discuss matters regarding your spiritual life and growth. Parents, who are already the first teachers of faith for their children, non-Catholics, or a person who is not physically present often to the candidate are not to be chosen as sponsors.

After careful consideration, please write a paragraph telling us whom you have chosen to be your Confirmation sponsor and why you have chosen this individual. This paragraph is due to Parish Office no later than December 7, 2017.

Then, be sure to mail or give your sponsor the special pages designed for him or her in this Confirmation packet. S/he will need to fill out the information and return the form to you to return to us by December 7, 2017.

If for any reason you cannot think of someone you can invite to be your sponsor, please contact Fr. Marius. He will try to assist you in finding or suggesting an appropriate adult sponsor from the parish.