



Bismarck Diocese

(For use in the Bismarck Diocese only)

Affidavit to Serve as a Baptismal Sponsor (Godparent) for

Name of person to be baptized

I RECOGNIZE that a baptismal sponsor has a special relationship with the person to be baptized. Throughout life the sponsor serves as a model of Christian living for the individual, especially as he/she later prepares for First Communion and Confirmation.

WITH THAT UNDERSTANDING, I recognize that in order to serve as a baptismal sponsor, a person must:

- † **Be a Catholic who has been baptized, received the Eucharist and has been confirmed, and who is currently living a sacramental life (e.g., attending weekend Mass and Holy Days of Obligation, and receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation) and is not in an irregular marriage according to Church teaching;**
- † **Be at least sixteen years of age;**
- † **Not be a parent of the individual to be baptized.**

I HEREBY TESTIFY that I fulfill the requirements and accept these responsibilities to serve in the ministry of baptismal sponsor.

Name of Sponsor (please print)

Sponsor's Phone

Sponsor's Address

Signature of Sponsor

Date

Please return to Parish of Place of Baptism

By: _____
Due Date

ATTN:

Parish

Mailing Address

Town, State, and Zip Code