Diocese of Fall River
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Secretariat for The New Evangelization

Confirmation Sponsor Certificate for St. Francis Xavier Parish

Code of Canon law #874: "To be permitted to take on the role of sponsor, a person must be a baptized Catholic who has been Confirmed and has already received the most holy sacrament of the Eucharist, who leads a life of faith in keeping with the role to be undertaken, and not be bound by any canonical penalty legitimately imposed."

Directions: Please take this form to your parish and sign it in the presence of the Pastor or his delegate who will support this with their signature and seal of the Church. Alternatively, your parish may provide its own form, bearing signature and seal, stating that you are eligible and prepared to be a Sponsor for the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Prospective Sponsors for Confirmation must arrange for proof of their Baptism (with notations of Confirmation, Holy Communion and Catholic Marriage if applicable) to be sent to their parish or bring it with them in order for this form to be processed.

I, _____ am a registered, active member of _____ Catholic Church
Name of Sponsor *Name of Home Parish*
in _____. I have been asked to be a Sponsor for _____ a
Name of City / State *Name of Candidate for Confirmation*
parishioner of _____ Catholic Church in _____ as she/he prepares to
Name of Home Parish *Name of City / State*
receive the Sacrament of Confirmation.

In accepting this responsibility, I affirm that *(please initial each one that applies):*

1. I am a Roman Catholic and have received the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Communion): _____
2. I am at least 16 years of age: _____
3. I attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation: _____
4. If married, I am married according to the laws of the Catholic Church: _____
5. I believe all that the Catholic Church professes and teaches: _____
6. I strive to live a life in harmony with the teachings of the Catholic Church: _____
7. I am aware that I am assuming responsibility to be a faithful witness of the Catholic faith to the person I am sponsoring, by supporting them by my life of prayer and my example of virtue: _____

_____ _____
Sponsor Signature *Date*

Church Seal

_____ _____
Pastor Signature *Date*