

Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA) Sponsor Testimony Form

Being asked to serve as a sponsor is a wonderful privilege and responsibility. The Catholic Church considers this role a serious one and asks that there be evidence in one's present life as a Catholic indicating a readiness to fulfill this role. The prerequisites for sponsors are described in the Code of Canon Law (Canon 874). I, ______, a practicing member of ______

(PRINTED NAME OF SPONSOR) (NAME OF SPONSOR'S PARISH) testify by my answers and signature below that am qualified to serve as a sponsor in the Catholic Church (PRINTED NAME OF RCIA CANDIDATE/CATECHUMEN) Please circle either YES or NO for each statement below: YES NO I am a Roman Catholic. YES NO I am at least 17 years old. YES NO I have received the three Sacraments of Christian Initiation -- Baptism, Confirmation, and Holy Eucharist -- in the Catholic Church. YES NO I am in full communion with the Catholic Church and regularly attend Mass on Sundays. YES I am not a parent of this candidate. NO I sign this document in the presence of a Catholic priest or deacon or a representative of the pastor of a Catholic Church and understand that by my signature I testify that what I have answered above is truthful. SPONSOR'S SIGNATURE CHURCH REPRESENTATIVE'S SIGNATURE CHURCH REPRESENTATIVE'S TITLE CHURCH REPRESENTATIVE'S PARISH **CHURCH CITY AND STATE** DATE (SPONSOR'S CHURCH) PARISH SEAL

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