## **CONFIRMATION SPONSOR**

The Church requires that each person who will be confirmed select a sponsor. The role of the sponsor is to help the confirmed be faithful to the teachings of the Catholic Church and be a true witness of Christ. In accordance with Canon law, the following is required of a sponsor:

- 1. The sponsor is not the candidate's mother or father and is at least sixteen years of age. It is recommended that a Godparent be the sponsor but this is not a requirement.
- 2. Has received the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist in the Catholic Church.
- 3. Is a registered member of a Catholic parish.
- 4. Participates in weekly Mass and receives the Sacrament of Reconciliation when necessary.
- 5. Lives a Christian life in accordance with teachings of the Catholic Church.

A Sponsor must download and complete the "Confirmation Certificate Form" provided on our Confirmation page in order to affirm that he/she is qualified to be a Confirmation Sponsor based on the criteria above.



Illustration of Sponsor presenting Confirmation Candidate and Bishop laying his hands on Candidate.