

Church of Saint Elizabeth - 175 Wolf Hill Road Melville, New York 11747

Sacrament of Confirmation Candidate & Sponsor Information Sheet

I have been asked to be the Confirmation Sponsor of _____

I realize that this candidate is making a big commitment to the Church: to continue to grow in the knowledge and love of God and to worship at Mass each Sunday.

I, for my part, recognize the serious responsibility of my role as sponsor and am ready to be a role model for him/her in living a confirmed Christian life. I realize that my example of regular attendance at Sunday Mass, reception of the Sacraments, and living of the Gospel message will be a source of encouragement and support. I will pray that Jesus Christ will always be at the center of his/her life.

SPONSOR:

(Print Name and relationship to Candidate)

(Parish of Sponsor)

(Signature of Sponsor)

(Date)

CANDIDATE'S CONFIRMATION NAME: _____

Candidate, please fill out below:

I chose _____ to be my Confirmation sponsor because...

I chose / am reaffirming the name, _____ for my Confirmation name because...

SPONSOR:

The role of sponsor is an important one for the Sacrament of Confirmation. The sponsor should be a fully initiated Catholic who supports the parents and newly confirmed Catholic with example and instruction. The sponsor must be at least 16 years old, baptized and confirmed, living an upright life without impediment (e.g. left the faith or was married outside the [Catholic] Church), and cannot be either parent. Given the requirements, it is strongly recommended that the sponsor live relatively close to the candidate and is someone who has regular involvement in his/her life. Please contact the parish if there are any questions or concerns about a potential sponsor.

CONFIRMATION NAME:

Many people decide to choose a Confirmation name, but this is not required. Rather than choosing a new name, candidates may use their baptismal name, reaffirming it at Confirmation and signifying the inherent connection between Baptism and Confirmation. If a candidate does choose a [new] name for Confirmation, it must not be offensive to Christian sensibility (i.e. Lucifer) and is usually that of a saint or other important religious/biblical figure, but can also be that of any faith-filled (Christian) individual whom that candidate admires, famous or not, living or deceased.