

St. Edward the Confessor Grade 8 Confirmation Preparation Sponsor Project

Choose Your Sponsor – Companions on The Journey

Candidates for Confirmation, as for Baptism, fittingly seek the spiritual help of a sponsor (Catechism of the Catholic Church, No. 1311).

In preparation for the reception of the Sacrament of Confirmation, each candidate must choose a Sponsor. There is only one Sponsor for Confirmation. A parent may not act as a Sponsor for the child's Confirmation.

A "Sponsor" (godparent) is a Sacramental Ministry. The Sponsor takes part in the ritual as a Catholic and provides example from her/his life through living and acting as a full member of the Catholic Church. Because of the seriousness of this Ministry, the Church has the following requirements:

To be qualified to be chosen as a Confirmation Sponsor, an individual must:

- Be at least sixteen years old by the Candidate's Confirmation date.
- Have been initiated into the Catholic Church through the three Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist.

The Sponsor must be a Catholic living an active life in the Church who provides a good example, displays a visible commitment to living out the Catholic faith, and has the ability and intention to carry out his or her responsibility as a spiritual guide in the Confirmation Candidate's life.

For this project, interview your Sponsor.

Here are some sample questions for your Sponsor:

- How did you feel when I asked you to be my Sponsor?
- What do you think is the most important part of being my Sponsor?
- How will you fulfill this role?
- What does it mean to lead a good, Catholic life?

Include in the interview your full name, the full name of your Sponsor, your relationship to your Sponsor, and finally your Sponsor's home parish and its location.

The project is to be typed and emailed as a PDF attachment or Word Document to Mrs. Ann Braun at abraun@st-edwards.org

Due date: *No later than May 1, 2024.*