

STATEMENT OF THE SPONSOR / GODPARENT

The Catholic Church requires that those who take on the privileges, and also the obligations of sponsor / godparents, practice their Catholic Faith faithfully and live lives that set them apart as followers of Jesus Christ. Therefore, a letter of recommendation can be issued to persons who are in the following categories:

1. Sixteen years of age or older.
2. Not a parent (step parent, father or mother).
3. A person not bound by any Catholic Church penalty such as divorced and remarried without annulment.
4. A practicing Catholic who attends Sunday mass.
5. A Catholic who has received the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist.

We ask you to honestly and prayerfully sign below if this statement is the truth.

I testify, on my word of honor, that I am registered as a parishioner at _____ . I attend mass regularly. I contribute to and I fulfill the requirements listed above. I accept the responsibility, which I undertake as a sponsor. I promise to be a support and example in the life of _____. I will make every effort to live a Catholic life that reflects the spirit and teaching of the Catholic Church, and I am prepared to assist the parents in their Christian duty by my support, encouragement, and prayer.

Name: _____
(please print) (signature)

Address: _____

**The following is the responsibility of the sponsor to obtain the signature
of their parish priest and seal of their parish.**

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

We are pleased to be able to issue this testimonial letter of practical Catholicity. The individual whose name is signed above is registered in this parish, is a Catholic of faith, and receives the Sacraments according to the laws of the Church. This person, consequently, qualifies, to the best of our knowledge as a proper sponsor/godparent for any Catholic receiving a Sacrament.

Pastor: _____
(please print) (signature)

Date: _____ PARISH