

# GODPARENT/CHRISTIAN WITNESS COMMITMENT FORM

You have been asked to serve as a **Catholic Godparent** OR **Christian Witness** by the parents whose names appear below on the occasion of the Baptism of their child. Thank you for living such a life of faith! As a Catholic Godparent OR Christian Witness to this baptism, you are agreeing to support these parents in leading their child to Christ and celebrating this faith according to the teachings and tradition of the Roman Catholic Church. We ask you to reflect on your responsibilities as a Catholic Godparent or Christian Witness, then FILL OUT and SIGN this commitment form, and return it to the parents of the child to be baptized.

## CATHOLIC GODPARENT

Catholic teaching requires that at least ONE and up to TWO baptism sponsors meet the qualifications listed below to be eligible as a Godparent.

**QUALIFICATIONS** – check the corresponding boxes and fill out:

I am a **single** Catholic and have received the Sacrament of Confirmation at \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Parish

on \_\_\_\_\_ (Canon 874, #1,2) OR, if married,  
Date of Confirmation

I am a **married** Catholic. I got married on \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Marriage  
at \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Parish

\_\_\_\_\_  
City + State of Parish (Canon 8874, #3, #4)

I regularly participate in Sunday Mass, I believe in the faith of the Catholic Church, and I make a serious effort to live a moral life.

I promise to give my support to the godchild and to his/her parents by my prayers and by the example of my Catholic faith practiced in my daily life.

I will do my best each year to encourage my godchild and his/her parents by celebrating the anniversary of his/her Baptism.

## CHRISTIAN WITNESS

Catholic teaching requires that if there is a Christian witness, he/she should be accompanied by ONE Catholic Godparent that meets the qualifications listed on the left side of this form.

**QUALIFICATIONS** – check the corresponding boxes and fill out:

I am a baptized member of another Christian tradition. I was baptized at \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Church  
in the \_\_\_\_\_ faith tradition.

I regularly participate in my church, I believe in the faith of Jesus Christ, and I make a serious effort to live a moral life.

I promise to give my support to the child and to his/her parents by my prayers and by the example of faith in Jesus Christ practiced in my daily life.

I will do my best each year to encourage the child and help the parents in celebrating the anniversary of his/her child's Baptism

**I have read and understand the qualifications described by the Church and the subsequent responsibilities. I solemnly affirm my adherence to all of these by my signature below:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Catholic Godparent/Christian Witness

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
FIRST - MIDDLE - LAST - Printed Name of Catholic Godparent/Christian Witness (Write clearly, as it appears here it will appear in the Baptismal certificate)

I am currently registered and participating member of \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of parish/church

\_\_\_\_\_  
City

\_\_\_\_\_  
State

Name of the Child to be Baptized: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of the Child's Parents: \_\_\_\_\_