

Sponsor Certificates

In order to be a godparent for Baptism or a sponsor for Confirmation one needs to obtain a Sponsor Certificate **from one's regular parish**. If you have been asked to be a godparent/sponsor and Holy Trinity Church is your regular parish, the following requirements indicated by Church Law must be met in order to obtain a Sponsor Certificate:

You are:

- ... a registered member of the parish (or are known to the Pastor) and you are practicing the Catholic Faith via regular attendance at Mass on weekends and Holy Days of Obligation
- ... at least 16 years of age
- ... leading a life in harmony with the Faith and teachings of the Church
- ... a fully-initiated Catholic. That is, you have already received all three Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Holy Communion, Confirmation)
- If married, you are married in accord with Church Law (ie: a church-approved marriage performed by Catholic Clergy or with proper dispensation)
- ... are not excommunicated
- ... are canonically free to carry out the office of godparent/sponsor
- ... are not the biological or adoptive parent of the person being sponsored

Please contact the Parish Office (860-354-1414 or parishoffice@htrccsherman.org) at least two weeks in advance of the Baptism or Confirmation to allow sufficient time for processing and mailing.