Ottawa Catholic Community - Ottawa, IL

Godparent Information Sheet

Baby/Child Information Section

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Qualifications of a Godparent

Based on the Catholic Church's Canon Law #874: To be admitted to the role of sponsor, a person must:

- 1. "be designated by the one to be baptized, by the parents or the person who take their place, or in their absence by the pastor or minister and have the aptitude and intention of fulfilling this function;"
- 2. "have completed the sixteenth year of age, unless the diocesan bishop has established another age, or the pastor or minister has granted an exception for a just cause;"
- 3. "be a Catholic who has been confirmed and has already received the most holy sacrament of the Eucharist and who leads a life of faith in keeping with the function to be taken on;"

As such, if married, this person must be married in the Catholic Church.

- 4. "not be bound by any canonical penalty legitimately imposed or declared;"
- 5. "not be the father or mother of the one to be baptized;"

By affixing my name below, I testify that I fulfill the qualifications of a Godparent, as stated above. (Please print)

Godparent Information Section

Godparent's Name (Please provide First, Middle, and Last Name)	
Godparent's Relationship to Candidate	
Godparent's Mobile Phone Number	

Parish Information Section

Please provide the Parish name, mailing address, and phone number of the Catholic Church where the **Godparent** attends regularly:

Parish Church's Name	
Parish Church's Mailing Address	
Parish Church's City, State, and Zip Code	
Parish Church's Phone Number	
Signature of Godparent's Parish Priest	
Date	

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