



# Diocese of Bismarck

(For use in the Diocese of Bismarck only)

## Affidavit to Serve as a Baptismal Sponsor (Godparent) for

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of person to be baptized

I RECOGNIZE that a baptismal sponsor has a special relationship with the person to be baptized. Throughout life the sponsor serves as a model of Christian living for the individual, especially as he/she later prepares for First Communion and Confirmation.

WITH THAT UNDERSTANDING, I recognize that in order to serve as a baptismal sponsor, a person must:

- † **Be a Catholic who has been baptized, received the Eucharist and has been confirmed, and who is currently living a sacramental life (e.g., attending weekend Mass and Holy Days of Obligation, and receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation) and is not in an irregular marriage according to Church teaching;**
- † **Be at least sixteen years of age;**
- † **Not be a parent of the individual to be baptized.**

I HEREBY TESTIFY that I fulfill the requirements and accept these responsibilities to serve in the ministry of baptismal sponsor.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Sponsor (please print)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Sponsor's Phone

\_\_\_\_\_  
Sponsor's Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Sponsor

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Please return to Parish of Place of Baptism

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Due Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
ATTN:

\_\_\_\_\_  
St. Joseph's Parish  
Parish

\_\_\_\_\_  
P.O. Box K  
Mailing Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
Williston, ND 58802  
Town, State, and Zip Code