



PRINCE OF PEACE
CATHOLIC CHURCH

GODPARENT CERTIFICATE OF ELIGIBILITY

Child's Name: _____

Intended Baptism date: _____

PLEASE READ THESE REQUIREMENTS BEFORE SIGNING

Canon 872, 873 and 874 of the Code of Canon Law lists requirements for the valid and lawful sponsorship in Baptism:

- *The godparent's role is, together with the parent, to present the child for the sacrament and help him/her to live a life befitting a baptized Catholic Christian.*
- *If two godparents are chosen, one must be male and one must be female.*

As a Godfather/Godmother:

- I am at least 16 years of age and mature enough to undertake this responsibility.
- I have received the three sacraments of initiation, namely, Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation.
- I know the fundamental truths of the Faith and am a practicing Catholic who goes to Mass on Sunday and Holy Days of Obligation, receives the sacraments regularly, and sees to the religious instruction of my family.
- I am a member of the Catholic Church, canonically free to carry out this office. This indicates that Catholics publicly living in an invalid marriage (not married in a Catholic Church), and those who are co-habiting (living together without marriage) are ineligible.
- I am not the father or mother of the one to be baptized.

I declare that I am a registered and participating member of the parish listed below and I fulfill the requirements of Canon Law (listed above) to be a godparent. I promise that I intend to faithfully assist the parents of the child in their Christian duty to bring up their child in the Catholic faith and help their child lead a Christian life.

Name of Godparent's Parish: _____

City/State: _____

Godparent's Name (please print): _____

Godparent's Address: _____

Godparent's Email: _____

Godparent's Signature: _____