

## **REQUIREMENTS/CRITERIA FOR BEING A SPONSOR**

### **A SPONSOR MUST:**

- (1) Be a Catholic who has been confirmed and has already received the sacrament of the most Holy Eucharist and who leads a life in harmony with the faith and the role to be undertaken.
- (2) Have completed the sixteenth year of age (be at least 16 years of age).
- (3) Not be bound by any Canonical penalty legitimately imposed or declared. [This indicates that Catholics publicly living in an invalid marriage (not according to the Church regulations) and those who are cohabitating (living together without marriage) are ineligible].
- (4) Not be the father or the mother of the one to be baptized or confirmed.

Note: A baptized person who belongs to a non-Catholic ecclesial community may not be admitted except as a witness to baptism or confirmation and together with a Catholic sponsor.