

Church of St. Peter  
Confirmation  
Program 2008-2009

Candidate and  
Sponsor  
Workbook



## Candidate and Sponsor Checklist

The following items are activities that you are asked to complete with your sponsor. They may be conversations or activities that you will do together. They are not meant to simply be requirements to get through quickly, but are designed to be conversation starters into deeper conversations and activities of faith. Notice the desired dates to have them finished by and try to plan your times together accordingly.

### Conversations/Questions:

- 1) **Confirmation is Linked to Baptism and Eucharist Questions**
  - a) Found on page 2 (sponsor packet page 12)
  - b) Due By Jan. 13<sup>th</sup> Session with sponsor
  - c) Completed \_\_\_\_\_
  
- 2) **Confirmation Brings us closer to God, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit Questions**
  - a) Found on page 3 (sponsor packet page 13)
  - b) Due By April 27<sup>th</sup> Session with sponsor
  - c) Completed \_\_\_\_\_
  
- 3) **Confirmation Forms us as Disciples as part of a Universal Church Community**
  - a) Found on page 4 (sponsor packet page 14 and 15)
  - b) Due By April 27<sup>th</sup> Session with sponsor
  - c) Completed \_\_\_\_\_

### Other Activities:

- 1) Exploring Prayer and Celebration – You are asked to describe TWO different ways in which you and your sponsor have celebrated God’s presence through prayer together. Ask your sponsor to use examples from their packets (sponsor packet page 7) or create your own prayer activities together. Be sure to describe them in your packet.
  - a) Found on page 5
  - b) Due By Confirmation Rehearsal May, 7<sup>th</sup>

Sponsor Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Sponsor E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_  
Times to meet: Date, Time, Place \_\_\_\_\_  
Date Time Place \_\_\_\_\_

c) Completed \_\_\_\_\_

- 2) Service and Justice Opportunities – You are asked to describe at least ONE way in which you and your sponsor have grown in discipleship through participating in service or justice activities. Ask your sponsor to use examples from their packets (sponsor packet page 8), sign up for activities together with the confirmation program, or create your own time to participate in a service project together. Be sure to describe the experience(s) in your packet.
- a) Found on page 5
  - b) Due By Confirmation Rehearsal May, 7<sup>th</sup>
  - c) Completed \_\_\_\_\_

*Scheduling Times To Meet – It is important that you and your sponsor have ways to communicate to grow together. Write down your sponsor's contact information below and pick to upcoming times/ dates to meet to begin your conversations for this packet*

### **Confirmation is Linked to Baptism and Eucharist Questions**

#### **How Has Baptism Shaped Your Life?**

##### **Page 2**

- 1) Describe the family situations you were brought up in. What is your relationship like with your parents and your siblings, and others who are a part of helping you live out your baptism call to grow in faith.

**Candidate:**

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- 2) What does it mean to me to follow Jesus and how big a role does following Jesus play in my current life?

**Candidate:**

**Sponsor:**

- 3) What are your Christian strong muscles and weak muscles (strong and weak points in your lifestyle as a baptized Catholic/Christian).

**Candidate:**

Sponsor Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Sponsor E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_  
Times to meet: Date, Time, Place \_\_\_\_\_  
Date Time Place \_\_\_\_\_

**Sponsor:**

- 4) What are some concrete ways I can grow in my faith life to better live out my baptismal call to grow as a Catholic/Christian believer and follower of Jesus.

**Candidate:**

**Sponsor:**

## **Confirmation Brings us closer to God, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit**

### **Questions**

**Page 3**

- 1) Describe your various images and experiences of Jesus the Christ and God our Creator. Where have you noticed them in your life?

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**Sponsor:**

- 2) Describe your various images and experiences of the Holy Spirit? What spiritual gifts have you been blessed with in your own life?

**Candidate:**

**Sponsor:**

- 3) Choose a holy hero or heroine. What makes that person so special and holy? What spiritual gifts from the spirit can you see in their life?

**Candidate:**

Sponsor Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Sponsor E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_  
Times to meet: Date, Time, Place \_\_\_\_\_  
Date Time Place \_\_\_\_\_

**Sponsor:**

- 4) How have you prepared for Confirmation up to this point? How is your relationship with God the Creator, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit helping you prepare for confirmation? (As a sponsor – how has it helped you prepare your candidate for confirmation)

**Candidate:**

**Sponsor:**

## **Confirmation Forms us as Disciples as part of a Universal Church**

### **Community**

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- 1) What gifts and fruits of the Holy Spirit have shaped you into an important part of your faith community (this church, this confirmation group, the other faith communities you are a part of)? Describe these gifts you have been blessed with.

**Candidate:**

**Sponsor:**

- 2) How have you grown more into a disciple of Jesus over this confirmation process? What are some ways you will continue to grow after you are confirmed? What are some Gifts you are asking God and the Holy Spirit to strengthen you in during and after Confirmation?

**Candidate:**

**Sponsor:**

Sponsor Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Sponsor E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_  
Times to meet: Date, Time, Place \_\_\_\_\_  
Date Time Place \_\_\_\_\_

3) After Confirmation, what are some ways in which you will give of your time, talent, and treasure to the larger Church community (here at our Parish and for the whole Church)?

**Candidate:**

**Sponsor:**

## Exploring Prayer and Celebration

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**I) Describe in details TWO different ways in which you and your sponsor have celebrated God's presence through prayer together.**

1)

2)

**II) Describe in details ONE way in which you and your sponsor have grown in discipleship through participating in service or justice activities.**

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