

*Saint Elizabeth of Hungary Parish
89 Arlington St.
Acton, MA 01720*

Sponsors at Confirmation

“Insofar as possible, there is to be a sponsor for the person to be confirmed; the sponsor is to take care that the confirmed person behaves as a true witness of Christ and faithfully fulfills the obligations inherent in this sacrament” (canon 892).

To be a sponsor at confirmation, a person must fulfill the following requirements (canons 893 & 874):

- 1. Be designated by the one to be confirmed, by the parents or the one who takes their place or, in their absence, by the pastor or minister and is to have the qualifications and intentions of performing this role;*
- 2. Have completed the sixteenth year, unless a different age has been established by the diocesan bishop or it seems to the pastor or minister that an exception is to be made for a just cause;*
- 3. Be a Catholic who has been confirmed and has already received the sacrament of the Most Holy Eucharist and leads a life in the harmony with the faith and the role to be undertaken;*
- 4. Not be bound by any canonical penalty legitimately imposed or declared.*
- 5. Not be the father or mother of the one to be confirmed.*

It is desirable that a person’s sponsor at baptism also be his or her sponsor at confirmation.

Parishes are expected to honor these provisions as they are given to us. We respectfully request confirmation candidates, their parents, and those asked to be sponsors to do the same.

I attest that I meet these requirements for sponsorship at confirmation and will do my best to fulfill its responsibilities.

Person being confirmed:

Sponsor’s Signature:

Sponsor’s Name:

Witnessed by:

