St. Catherine of Siena Roman Catholic Church- Request Form

Godparent for the Sacrament of Baptism
Sponsor for the Sacrament of Confirmation

Please complete this form carefully. It is intended to help you understand the commitment and responsibilities of serving as a godparent/sponsor for a person in the Catholic faith.

Sacrament for which you are serving: ☐ Baptism ☐ Confirmation

Universal Church Requirements for a Godparent or Sponsor

- **Age**: Must be at least 16 years old. Only Catholic one sponsor is required. If two for Baptism, it must be one male & one female.
- **Sacraments**: Must be a fully initiated Roman Catholic who has received Baptism, Confirmation, and Holy Eucharist. If married, the marriage must be recognized as valid by the Catholic Church.
- **Practice of the Faith**: Must be a practicing Catholic who attends Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation, receives Holy Communion regularly, and lives a life in keeping with the Catholic faith.
- **Role**: May not be the parent or step-parent of the person receiving the sacrament.

Function of a Godparent or Sponsor

- To give a living example of a Catholic who faithfully practices the faith.
- To help the person grow in the faith and live a Catholic Christian life.

Sponsor Information

Printed full name of godparent/sponsor **Telephone number**

Full name of person to be baptized **Full name of person to be confirmed**

Name of church, date and location where the sacrament will be administered

Sponsor Attestation

Please check each statement you can affirm. Complete the marriage section only if applicable.

- ☐ I am a practicing Catholic, attending Mass weekly at St. Catherine of Siena Church and receiving the Eucharist. I have been registered at St. Catherine of Siena Church for at least **six months**. If over the age of 21, I am registered as an adult.
- ☐ I have received Baptism, Holy Eucharist, and Confirmation and will provide a copy of sacramental records if required.
- ☐ If married, I am living the Sacrament of Matrimony with my spouse, and our marriage is recognized by the Catholic Church.
- ☐ I intend to support my candidate in his/her Catholic faith. I will do so through prayer and by my example of living a Catholic sacramental life.
- ☐ Not married / not applicable.

If married, my marriage took place at _____

Located in (city/state) _____ **On the date of** _____

Required Submission

To serve as a godparent and/or sponsor at St. Catherine of Siena Church, this form must be filled out. Copies of sacramental records may be requested.

Signature of godparent/sponsor _____ **Date** _____

This form must be submitted to the Parish Office of St. Catherine of Siena Church.

Certificates are not issued automatically. Each request will be reviewed by the Pastor, and an approved certificate will then be prepared by the parish.

Please submit this form well in advance of the sacrament date to allow sufficient time for pastoral review and processing.

Last-minute requests may delay the issuance of the certificate.