**SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER CHURCH**

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**GODPARENT/SPONSOR VERIFICATION FORM**

**This form is to be completed by the child’s Baptismal Godparent/Sponsor**

Please answer each of the questions until the form is complete. Do not leave any questions unanswered; this may cause a delay in the process to accept the official petition for the Baptism of the child.

Child’s Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and age: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor’s Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to child: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor’s Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Name of Sponsor’s Parish: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ City, State: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**In case of a need, please request a copy of your baptismal record from your parish of baptism WITH NOTATIONS and complete the following information…**

Sponsor’s Date of Baptism: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Church of Baptism: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

City & State: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor’s Date of First Communion: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Church of First Communion: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

City & State: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor’s Date of Confirmation: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Church of Confirmation: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

City & State \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor’s Date of Marriage: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Church of Marriage: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

City & State: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Still Married: Yes \_\_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_\_

Annulment: Yes \_\_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_\_

Date of Annulment: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Civilly married: Yes \_\_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_\_

Living with someone/not married: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_

Remarried Yes \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

**SPONSOR AGREEMENT**

I, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, affirm that I have received the three (3) Sacraments of Initiation in the Roman Catholic Church: Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation. I am a practicing catholic, participating weekly in Sunday Mass and giving witness to my faith in Jesus Christ. I actively strive to live out my commitment to Christ and to the community life of the Catholic Church. I am not bound by any canonical penalties and I understand and accept the responsibilities of being a sponsor for the Sacrament of Baptism. I will maintain a personal and continuous contact with my Godchild-to-be to make sure of his/her readiness to receive the rest of the sacraments. I will encourage him/her to recognize the presence of the Holy Spirit in his/her life, to reflect the Good News of our Lord Jesus Christ, and to pray daily. I will pray for him/her that the truths of our faith will always guide and direct his/her life.

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Signature of Baptismal Sponsor Date

**PLEASE NOTE:**

All sponsors not parishioners and not registered members of this parish (Saint Francis Xavier) must obtain a **Letter of Presentation and Permission to Be Godparent**, **signed by their pastor** who is to verify that they are eligible to be sponsors for the Sacrament of Baptism. Again, all sponsors from outside this parish need to attend their Baptismal Preparation Classes at their own parish, beforehand. After attending and completing the Baptismal Preparation Classes, at their parish, a Certificate of Attendance and Completion of the Classes should be issued by their pastor.

**All parishioners or register parents and God parents of this parish (S.F.X.) should attend the Baptismal Preparation Classes at this parish to receive the Letter of Presentation and the Certificate of Attendance and Completion of the Baptismal Preparation Classes, even before obtaining a permission to baptize at another parish, if that is the case**.

**VERY IMPORTANT:** All sponsors, please attach the original Letter of Presentation and Permission to Be a Godparent (sponsor) and the original Certificate of Attendance and Completion of your Baptismal Preparation Classes to this form.