

## Conversation points for Sponsors & Confirmandi

- Share with one another your experiences of Religious Education.  
*For the Candidate: Consider experiences both in and out of the classroom.*  
*For the Sponsor: Catholic School? CCD? Family Life? Other Retreat/Adult Education opportunities?*
- What do you appreciate the most about what you were taught?
- What has made the most difference in the way you have made choices in your life, based on your Catholic training and the values instilled in your home?
- Are there areas of learning that you wish you had paid closer attention to when you were receiving religious education? Do you sense you have some “gaps”? What might you do to fill those gaps or to find answers to questions you might still have?  
*For the Candidate: What plans do you have to continue your Religious Education after Confirmation?*  
*For the Sponsor: How have you continued to learn about your faith since you were confirmed?*
- What makes you proud to be a Catholic?
- What name did you choose for Confirmation? Why?  
*For Sponsors: Has the name you chose and the reason you chose it proved to make a difference in your life as you have matured?*
- Share an experience of faith that happened outside of a Church building.
- Is there a liturgy or church event that you remember being very significant for you? Share.
- *For Sponsors (You may want to go to the USCCB website and look at what information they have there on "Faithful Citizenship."):*
  - Share with your candidate how your Catholic faith shapes your decision making at the voting booth.
  - Discuss with your candidate the issues that Catholics must consider when we consider how we vote. What does it mean to “vote your conscience”?
  - What does it mean to you to be a “faithful citizen”?

*We have set aside time and discussed the above talking points.*

Candidate's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please return by April 11, 2018**