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GODPARENT VERIFICATION FORM

The form is only for our parishioners,
who are to be godparents in our parish.
Please enter parish number: #

This form is to be completed, signed and returned to Divine Mercy Polish Parish for signing at one (1) month to the desired date of Baptism outside our parish.

_____ and has been asked to be a godparent for
Godparent please print name

_____ as he/she receives the Sacrament of Baptism.
Person being baptized please print name

Godparents must meet all of the following criteria **(please tick correct)**, which are established by universal Catholic Church law and which do not vary from parish to parish.

- ☐ **I am not the mother or father of the child or candidate;**
- ☐ **I have received the Sacrament of Baptism in the Catholic faith**;
- ☐ **I am a practicing Catholic, I normally attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation** *(I am practicing my faith, not in mortal sin and have not taken public positions in opposition to the Catholic faith or morals);*
- ☐ **I am at least 16 years of age**;
- ☐ **I have completed my own Christian initiation through reception of the most Holy Eucharist and the Sacrament of Confirmation in the Catholic faith**;
- ☐ **I am unmarried, nor am I cohabitating *(living outside of marriage with someone);***
- ☐ **I am married inside of the Catholic Church,**
- ☐ **I understand and accept the responsiblilities which I undertake as a sponsor for this person. I will assist his/her parents in their Christian duty and will help this person, by example, word and action to live as a faithfull Christian in communion with, and according to, the teachings of the Holy Catholic Church.**.

In accepting the role of Sponsor, I hereby affirm that I am committed to helping raise this child in the Roman Catholic Faith and affirm that I meet all the qualifications stated above..

_____ _____
Date *Signature of Sponsor*

This person has affirm that they fulfill the canonical requirements to be a sponsor for Baptism.

_____ _____
Date *Pastor's Signature* *Parish Seal*