



the Church of
St. Gabriel
the Archangel

CONFIRMATION CANDIDATE & SPONSOR CONVERSATION

As part of the preparation process for Confirmation, each candidate is asked to complete one guided conversation with their chosen Sponsor. A conversation outline is provided below to guide the conversation between candidate and sponsor. Since sponsors may not live locally this conversation can happen in-person, over the phone, or through a video conferencing platform (Zoom, Google Meet, FaceTime, etc.). This conversation should be completed by February 7, 2024. Please notify Andrew Allen of the completion date of this conversation by emailing aallen@stgabrielhopkins.org. Please reach out with any questions at 952-540-4762 or at the email address listed above.

As the relationship between candidate and sponsor is one of mentorship in the Faith our hope is that this will be the first of many conversations between candidate and sponsor during the preparation year.

Please discuss the topics below in relation to EACH of your lives.

1. What do you remember or what pictures or stories have you been told about your receiving the Sacraments of Baptism, First Reconciliation, First Holy Communion, and Confirmation? Who were your sponsors/godparents? What Church community were you part of? Have you experienced other Sacramental events that were meaningful like marriages or funerals?
2. If you could tell your younger self a thing or two that would have made life better, what would you tell yourself?
3. What have you liked best about being a Catholic? How has sharing in the Catholic Faith been meaningful to you?
4. Share some significant life experiences. What part did your faith play in these experiences?
5. What are some challenges to your faith that you have experienced (past or present)? How have you already faced, or do you plan to face these challenges?