## The Role of the RCIA SPONSOR

A sponsor in the RCIA process is a companion for someone walking the journey to initiation. Beginning with the Rites of Acceptance and Welcome their role is:

- to be a bridge between the catechumen or candidate and the parish community
- to share with the catechumen or candidate the practices, traditions, and prayers of our Catholic tradition
- to assist the parish initiation team

## Requirements for being a sponsor:

- Be a Catholic who has been baptized, received the Eucharist, and been confirmed
- · Be at least sixteen years of age
- Not be in an irregular marriage
- Lead a life in harmony with the nature of the ministry of a sponsor (regularly attend Mass, receive the Eucharist, engage in regular prayer, etc.)
- Be available to attend weekly sessions for catechesis, the celebrations of liturgical rites, and other initiation related events to the best of your ability

Parishioners are invited to explore the possibility of becoming an RCIA Sponsor. If you would like more information, please contact Toni McKay at the parish office or any of these parishioners who are currently RCIA Catechists:

Theresa Scholtens Monica Mabe Sue Wizorek