

Companion on the Journey

You've been asked to walk with a candidate as s/he embarks on the challenging journey toward Confirmation. By accepting that invitation, you'll be able to help a young person grow in her/his relationship with both Jesus and the church. What an honor! What a privilege!

You may have a little more experience than she or he does—that's why you're so aware of your shortcomings—but you share the same human and spiritual hungers, the same search for meaning, the same struggles with the human condition, the same hope for relief from all the hurts and hurdles of life. And, of course, the same deep hope that in Jesus we can find our salvation from all the things that keep us from fullness of life. Your candidate doesn't need you to be anyone but themselves;

- A Catholic who has already been confirmed and who has received the sacrament of Eucharist;
- leads a faith-filled life and is a Catholic in good standing;
- be a Christian witness in both words and deeds;
 - offer support to your candidate as he or she moves through the challenging teen years, including experiencing doubts about his or her own faith;
- challenge your candidate's words and actions when they contradict Christian values;
 - be willing to participate with the candidate at liturgy and in Christian service.

