

RESPONSIBILITIES OF SPONSORS OR GODPARENTS

You have been selected for a very special role and responsibility in the life of a child about to be baptized. You will stand as one of the confessing community. You are asked to be one to model the faith for this special child in your life. You are asked to share and walk the faith with this child throughout the years to come.

Regardless of the geographical distances that may develop over the years you and your godchild will find many ways to share life's joys and concerns.

TODAY....

- ❖ Attend baptismal classes with the parents.
- ❖ Do individual readings on baptism.
- ❖ Pray for your child about to be baptized.
- ❖ Pray for yourself and the responsibilities you are about to assume.
- ❖ Talk with the parents about your mutual expectations and ways to work together for the spiritual development of the child.
- ❖ Share in the service of baptism.
- ❖ Make or purchase a special gift for the child.

TOMORROW....

- ❖ Keep the child always in your prayers.
- ❖ Remember the person with religious books, symbols on his/her baptismal anniversary.
- ❖ Talk about your faith with the child.
- ❖ Worship and study together.
- ❖ Spend time together.
- ❖ Write letters to the child, send notes of encouragement.
- ❖ Share in preparation for the person's first communion and confirmation
- ❖ Help the person to articulate his/her spiritual development throughout life and at specific times such as family crisis, starting school, graduation, first job....

**IN WHAT WAYS WILL YOU SHARE IN THE BAPTISMAL LIFE OF
YOUR GODCHILD?**

TODAY.....

TOMORROW....

**WRITE SOME GOALS FOR YOURSELF AS YOU BEGIN THIS NEW
MINISTRY:**
