

My Checklist of Things to Turn in & Deadlines

Date of Application: _____

Date of Quinceañera: _____

Certificates

Baptism Certificate
Date I turned it in: _____

First Communion Certificate
Date I turned it in: _____

Confirmation Certificate / Letter
Date I turned it in: _____

Retreat

Sign up and Turn in Application
My retreat Day is: _____

Things due 1 month Before

1 month before is:

Service Hours 5 (with the church)

Service Hours 5 (with the community)

Final Payment

**DUE 2 weeks prior:
Prayer to be read in mass.**

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Have Questions? Call us at the Pastoral Office

Mon - Fri between 8am and 5pm

Closed 12pm - 1pm

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Mass Policy

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What is a Quinceañera?

The increasingly popular tradition of the Quinceañera celebration among Latino families emerges from indigenous times of the Mexican and Latin American culture. Although it is not a sacrament, it is a ritual that celebrates the right of passage from childhood to adolescence amongst other important human values such as: the value of life, commitment to family, community and faith. This celebration recognizes the role of the youth in the Christian community and acknowledges the commitment of responsibility the 15 year old has made to the Christian Community.

Quinceañeras are celebrated on Saturdays at 10:30am. The time may be changed to 2pm **according to availability** which can be checked 4months prior to the date desired. (no sooner than 4 months)

Requirements

- The Application and Quinceañera process must be started a minimum of 4 months prior to the date you wish to have your celebration.
- The Quinceañera must have had her Baptism, First Communion and Confirmation. If not yet Confirmed, the young lady must be in a Confirmation Program and must be currently attending the Confirmation Classes. You will be asked to provide copies of these sacraments.
- **COST:** The customary donation for a Quinceañera Mass is **\$600.00**, which truly is the family's expression of thanksgiving to God for the gift of the life of the young lady. The Quinceañera Coordinator is provided free. It is also customary to give each Altar Server a \$10.00 gratuity. A **\$100.00** reservation fee is required to reserve the time and date for the Mass. If for any reason the Mass is canceled, the **fee is non-refundable**. The

remaining balance of payment must be paid one month prior to the mass celebration. ***(NO EXCEPTIONS)***

- The young lady must complete an appointment with the priest together with her parents. (Other additional meeting with a coordinator may be required)
- The Quinceañera must attend a one day retreat a long with the "court/chambelanes" that will accompany her that day. (those who must attend are those who are between the ages 14 to 17 and/or in grades 9 through 12). Those who do not attend will not be allowed to process with her in the mass.
- 10 service hours (5 in the community and 5 within the church) must be completed one month prior to the Quinceañera Mass date. Confirmation Service hours as well as hours put in for extracurricular activities (such as school clubs, band, sports, etc.) will not count towards these 10 required hours.

Mass Policies

No more than 6 pairs are allowed in the entrance procession at Mass. The pairs must be from 14-18 years of age, no younger. Everyone involved in the Mass must attend a rehearsal, which needs to be scheduled with the Coordinator. The phone number of the Coordinator can be obtained from the Pastoral Center.

Music: Music for the Mass is **NOT** provided. If you would like to request a list of our parish's musicians, you may do so at the Pastoral Office. If you choose to hire musicians from out of the parish, you will need to call the Parish Director of Music and Liturgy for the approval of the songs that will be played at the Mass. The phone number can be obtained from the Pastoral Office. The Stipend for the Music is to be arranged directly with the musician.

Flowers: Altar flowers are **NOT** provided, but are optional. Two baskets may be purchased from your florist for use on the altar, and can be left at the

church with notification to the coordinator. **NO ARCHES OR AISLE RUNNERS ARE ALLOWED.**

Only 1 videographer and 1 photographer are allowed during the Mass. The videographer may set up his equipment permanently on the Choir side of the church. Should he and the photographer wish to move about, they should do so discreetly, outside the carpeted area of the sanctuary, taking care not to distract the Quinceañera and the priest.

We request that you provide two lectors for the Mass, these two lectors must attend the practice before the mass. The lectors you choose must be able to read appropriately (audibly and clearly).

Retreat Information

Dates for 2019:

March 9

June 8

September 7

December 7

- The Deadline to sign up for the retreats is two weeks prior to the actual retreat day by turning in the retreat application.
- All retreats are on a Saturday and last a full day (8:30am - 2pm).

To register, please bring all the required documents during office hours.

Monday - Friday

8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Note: Parish Office is closed for Lunch
From: 12:00 pm-1:00 pm

