

## **Choirs**

It is the family's responsibility to arrange for a choir to play and/or sing during the Mass. *(An outside choir may be invited to participate in the Mass, provided that its members are Catholic and that the music is appropriate for the liturgy.)*

**Juan Torres:** 816-612-5852

**Araceli Bernadino:** 913-375-0822 o 913-375-0823

**Alexa Ruiz:** 816-808-2173

**Oscar Rosales:** 816-699-1921

**Santa Cecilia:** 913-972-0846

**Altar Server**, someone that helps on the day of the ceremony, it is recommended to give them a donation for their services.

**NOT ALLOWED:** glitter, confetti, rice, birdseed, lit candles, or aisle runners due to safety concerns and potential damage to the facilities and grounds.

## **We Start On Time**

- Everyone participating in the celebration must arrive at the church dressed and ready at least **30 minutes** before the ceremony. The Quinceañera's family is responsible for making sure everyone arrives on time. If anyone is late, the Mass will be **CANCELED**.
- Professional Photography must arrive **30 minutes** before Mass begins.

## **Cleaning is the Responsibility of the Family**

- Make sure to clean the church pews, bathroom areas, and any other spaces that were used. Cleaning must be done immediately after the celebration, as other events or Masses may follow yours.

## **Remember:**

- When coming to the church for the Quinceañera rehearsal, as well as on the day of the Quinceañera Mass, please remember that the church is the **House of God**.
- The church is consecrated for sacred use only. Conversations and greetings should be done quietly upon entering the church. Please be especially mindful that the Blessed Sacrament is kept in our church and must be treated with great respect and dignity.
- **Food, gum, and drinks** of any kind should not be brought into or consumed inside or around the church.
- The use of alcohol, tobacco, and marijuana is strictly and absolutely **prohibited** at any time on or near parish property by anyone participating in the ceremony.

**GLITTER IS NOT ALLOWED IN THE CHURCH**



# Quinceañera

## *St Anthony Parish*



## *Quinceañera Mass Giving Thanks*

***Congratulations on your upcoming Quinceañera celebration! We are delighted that you wish to celebrate this special occasion, as it is an important day to cherish life and give thanks to God for it. That's why we want to assist you in the best way possible and are providing you with the following information.***



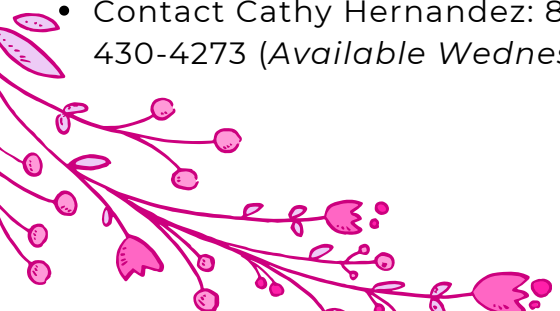


## Requirements for the

### Quinceañera Celebration

#### **The Quinceañera and her parents must attend preparation sessions**

- These classes are designed for the Quinceañera and her parents. Their purpose is to help the Quinceañera and her family become aware of the dignity of the Quinceañera Mass and to encourage full, conscious, active, and fruitful participation in the celebration. The content of these formation sessions will help the Quinceañera and her parents focus on the Sacraments that are central to this event. In addition, these sessions aim to provide the Quinceañera with an opportunity to reflect inwardly, to better understand her priorities, to grow in her relationship with God, and to discover within her soul the life of Grace to which she has been called since her Baptism.
- Contact Cathy Hernandez: 816-430-4273 (*Available Wednesdays*)



### Copies of Baptismal & 1st Communion Certificates

- We cannot celebrate a Mass if the young lady has not received her First Communion.

### The Mass Stipend is of \$800.00

- A **NON-REFUNDABLE** deposit of **\$100.00** is required to reserve the Quinceañera date.
  - This **DOES NOT INCLUDE** flower arrangements for the church, **CHOIR MUSIC**, or altar servers.
  - The Mass Stipend must be **paid in full by Wednesday of the week preceding** the scheduled Mass. If payment is not received by that date, the Mass will be **CANCELED** due to non-payment.
  - If you wish to celebrate **TWO** Quinceañeras in the same Mass, the Mass offering is **\$1,200.00**. A non-refundable deposit of **\$200.00** is required to reserve the date.

### Dress Code:

- **The Quinceañera and the young ladies in the celebration:** Must have their shoulders and chest covered. Please wear a shawl or jacket if necessary. Deep V-necklines, high slits that show mid-thighs, and dresses shorter than the knee are not allowed. **NO GLITTER ON THE FABRIC.**
- Everyone including XV court, family or visitors must remove their caps when entering the church for practice and mass.

- Chambelanes, maids of honor, family members, and/or guests must **NOT smoke marijuana** before or during rehearsal or before Mass. If anyone arrives at the church smelling of marijuana, the Mass celebration will be **CANCELED** immediately.

### **Attend and Participate in the Sunday Holy Mass**

#### For the Celebration

#### **The Quinceañera must prepare by practicing the words and prayers she will say, either in English or Spanish.**

- Renewal of Baptismal promises
- Quinceañera's commitment
- Act of Consecration to our Holy Mother
- Participation in the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

#### **A family member must prepare and read in either Spanish or English:**

- **First Reading – one person**
- **Responsorial Psalm – if the choir does not sing**
- **Prayers of the Faithful (Petitions) – one person**

#### **The Quinceañera will be asked to offer flowers to Our Blessed Mother after the blessing and will be asked to provide her own flowers**

*We can celebrate the Mass in English or bilingually according to the wishes of the Quinceañera and her family.*