

Planning Your Wedding Liturgy



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Musicians

As you select those who will provide music for your special day, you should remember that anyone involved in your wedding should be qualified and responsible.

If your ceremony will include mass, your pianist should be Catholic or at least experienced with playing music for a Catholic mass.

All musicians should receive music at least a month before the wedding and should know it well by the day of the wedding.

Holy Spirit has many qualified and experienced pianists and soloists. The Coordinator of Music can help you select musicians.

YOUR WEDDING MUSIC

Whether you choose to celebrate your wedding with a mass or liturgy of the word, Holy Spirit's Music Coordinator will work with you to select music that will make your day special.

At your meeting, you will receive a Music Selection Guide. The Music Coordinator will show you lyrics and demonstrate selections from the Guide to help you choose the music you think best suits your ceremony.

The music listed on the Selection Guide is covered under our Holy Spirit's OneLicense agreement and can be printed in your Worship Aid.

Please note that music not included on the Guide may have to be purchased. Such music may also need a special license if you want it to be printed in the Worship Aid. You are responsible for any music purchases and reprint fees.

Any music borrowed from the church for musician use must be returned the day of the wedding.

YOUR WEDDING LITURGY

At the same planning meeting you select music, you will also choose the readings and petitions for your ceremony. You will need to arrange for a person/people to read the 1st and 2nd readings and petitions.

If you would like to preview reading and petition options, please request a Together for Life planning book from the church office. You can return the book at your meeting.

You should prepare a list of people that will participate in your ceremony. Include parents, the wedding party, ushers, any gift bearers, readers and Eucharistic ministers.

YOUR WORSHIP AID

Your Worship Aid is the program you and your guests will follow for the wedding ceremony. It will include all music and readings, as well as the names of those involved in your ceremony.

Holy Spirit Church will print up to 500 black & white Worship Aids on plain paper at no additional cost to you. You are welcome to supply your own paper for us to use, as long as it is foldable (not heavy cardstock).

If you would like color copies, you can pay 10 cents per side for color ink. Payment can be added to your donation to Holy Spirit Church.

Sample Worship Aids can be viewed during your liturgy planning meeting.

VIDEO RECORDING/ STREAMING

Holy Spirit has video recording and streaming capabilities. If you would like us to record and/or stream your wedding liturgy, please let us know. You will be charged a fee of \$100 to compensate one of our videographers.

Note 1: Because we only have one camera, we are unable to capture most of the procession. If you would like to see examples of camera angles, Kristen Donovan can give you more information at your liturgy planning meeting.

Note 2: If you select music that is not covered by our OneLicense streaming license, you will have to purchase a license for each song not covered. (Cost can be \$20-50 per song.) All music on our suggested music list is covered.

TIMELINE

- ◆ *12 weeks prior to wedding (or earlier)*

**Schedule pianist and cantor/soloist(s)*

- ◆ *8 weeks prior to wedding*

Meet with Coordinator of Music to select music and plan your Liturgy

- ◆ *2 weeks prior to wedding*

Finalize Worship Aid information, deliver special paper (if using special paper) to the church office

- ◆ *Week of wedding*

Arrange for payment of musicians and any printing fees.



** Holy Spirit can connect you with qualified and experienced musicians. You are responsible for scheduling and compensating them.*

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