

Mission Basilica San Buenaventura



Quinceañera Guidelines

Welcome Parishioners Who wish to have a Quinceañera Celebration!

GUIDELINES

Parents & Quinceñera: Please read the following guidelines carefully. Next, please call the Quinceñera coordinator of the Mission to set up time for an interview. This will be an opportunity to ask questions and to set a date for the celebration.

Quinceñera and Godparents are to be **practicing Catholics.**

• Please note the following:

1. Provide xerox copy of copies of Baptism, Confirmation and First Communion Certificates.
2. Provide Enrollment and attendance records from your Confirmation Coordinator. If already confirmed, are you active in a youth group or any ministry in church?
3. Attend and complete the required Quinceñera sessions.

• PLEASE MAKE EVERY ATTEMPT TO ARRANGE THE CHURCH DATE PRIOR TO SCHEDULING THE RECEPTION.

We reserve the dates for Quinceañeras 5 months in advance. We understand how difficult it is to find a hall in such a short time; however, we ask to constantly contact the Church to reserve a date within the time allowed.

FEES

(Sanctuary Flowers Included/ No flowers during Lent)

\$850.00...*Registered & Parishioners Supporting the Mission Basilica*

(Deposit of \$500.00 (non-refundable) upon confirming the date & balance paid in full one month prior to the quinceñera celebration)

\$1200.00...*Non-Supporting Parishioners*

(Deposit of \$500.00 (non-refundable) upon confirming date & balance paid in full one month prior to the celebration)

MUSIC

Music, choir or cantor fees are included in the Mass fee*.

Music should enhance the sacred dimension of a Catholic ceremony and give praise to God. A cantor and organist are provided.

Music Director: Jonathan Culbreath (805) 643-4318 ext. 203

CELEBRATION

❖ WHEN is the Celebration?

Quinceñearas celebrations are generally held on Saturdays depending on the ability of priest and time slots. No Quinceañeras are scheduled during Lent or Holy Week, Christmas, and in the month of May due to First Communions and Confirmations.

❖ WHO participates in the preparation?

The Parents, Godparents and escorts (Damas/Chambelanes) of the Quinceñera are active in the preparation and celebration of the Mass. The number of Damas/Chambelanes is limited to five couples.

❖ WHAT happens at the Celebration?

- The Quinceñera must be escorted only by her Parents, and if required by family godparents may participate in the procession.
- Escorts (Damas and chambelanes) will be seated in reserved locations before the celebration.
- If having a pillow to kneel for the Quinceañera please place it before Mass begins.
- People serving as lectors should be seated on the second pew on the left-hand side.
- During the Offertory, the bread and wine are the only gifts presented in the sanctuary.
- During the rite of peace priest may offer a sign of peace to Quinceañera and her parents and godparents only; we suggest quinceañera to do likewise.
- Priest will invite guest to receive Holy Communion after Quinceañera receives.
- The prayer of consecration is recited by Quinceñera/s at the end of Mass.
- The presentation of religious symbols i.e. a rosary, Bible, medal and bouquet (*not required*) will be presented by the godparents at this time for priest to blessed them
- Rehearsals will be made with Quinceñera Coordinator.
- Please be on time for the preparation sessions, rehearsal and on the celebration day, **Mass begins on time**, and we have a very busy schedule at the Mission.
- Confessions are encouraged a week before quinceañera celebration: Saturday 4 PM.

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