Saint Paul Catholic Church

Quinceañeras:

Requirements:

1. The young woman should be a registered member of the parish for at least 6 months before reaching her 15th birthday. Also, the date of the ceremony should be registered on the Main Parish Calendar at least 6 months in advance. The dates will be available on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Quinceañeras are not permitted during Lent or Advent.

- 2. The young woman should attend a Secondary Catechesis program one year before the ceremony. The recommendation of the instructors is required.
- 3. The young woman should be of good moral character, exhibiting the values representative of a quiceañera.
- 4. The young woman is required to attend a series of preparation sessions before the date of the ceremony.
- 5. It is very important that the persons in charge of arranging the flowers and decorations keep in mind safety and the risk of fire. The decorations cannot block the doors, emergency exits, or any walkway, and should be in accord with regulations imposed by the Fire Department. The following things are prohibited from being used (both inside and outside): bubbles, decorations or ornaments made of glass or breakable material, live birds, or live flower or rose petals. Only silk petals are permitted inside the church. Furthermore, all decorations must be in conformity with the liturgical rules of the Catholic Church.
- **6. All photographers MUST comply with the restrictions of the Church** against the use of flash photography and/or the positioning and location of cameras and video equipment. If you have any question, ask the coordinator.
- 7. The church does not make arrangements regarding music for the mass, even though we can put you in contact with the Music Director or you can make your own arrangements (which requires the permission of the Pastor). Please consult the coordinator.
- 8. Any deviation from the rules (as with the agreement for exceptions) requires the specific authorization of the Pastor.

Important^{*}

We hope that your ceremony will be memorable. That's why we ask your cooperation with these guidelines. Your coordinator can help in making this ceremony a special event for everyone. Any questions you might have should be directed to your coordinator. If it is necessary, questions can be made to the priest through the coordinator. Please meet with the coordinator as soon as possible to address any concerns or special requests you may have.

THANK YOU!