

Music for Weddings Handout

The couples will be provided with a Together for Life booklet. This booklet will help you make your selections for Scripture readings, prayers of the faithful, blessings and the appropriate formula for your wedding vows. Your presider will also assist you in determining whether your wedding should take place within the context of the Eucharist (Mass) or Liturgy of the Word.

Following the model of the Sunday Liturgy, the music for the wedding liturgy is to celebrate God's love for God's people rather than focusing on the love of this particular couple for each other. As you begin to make music selections, we encourage you to read the texts carefully. Do the words of the song speak of your love as a sign and reflection of God's love? Will they remind the congregation that you believe marriage involves the two of you and God?

Certain "traditional" organ selections (e.g. the Wedding March by Wagner, known, as "Here comes the Bride" and the "Wedding March" by Mendelssohn) have inappropriate secular roots and have taken on trite associations through the years through soap-opera weddings and in television commercials. We do not use these selections at Our Lady of Grace parish.

All music must be "live" – previously recorded and digitally sequenced music may not be used. Please contact our Director for Music, Rick McLaughlin with your musical selections for approval. Rick can be reach at rickmcl100@gmail.com

Our sound system is off limits to any guest musicians.

Here is a list with some suggestions

Processional/Recessional Music

Aria in F – Handel
Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring – Bach
Trumpet Voluntary – Purcell
Canon in D - Pachelbel
Hornpipe – Handel (recessional)
Ode to Joy – Beethoven (recessional)
Psalm XIX – Marcello (recessional)
Rondeau – Mouret (recessional)
Spring from Four Seasons – Vivaldi (recessional)
To God Be the Glory – William Doane (recessional)
Trumpet Tune – David Johnson (recessional)
Trumpet Tune – Purcell
Te Deum – Charpentier
Trumpet Tune – David Johnson (recessional)
Ode to Joy – Beethoven (recessional)

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 33: The Earth is Full (Haugen): <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xutavTaz7Zc>

Psalm 33 (Alstott): <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZkDdcJgTY4E>

Psalm 103 (Haugen): <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pFoirYDCFkk>

Psalm 103 (Cotter): <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=F5yTdddXkKA>

Psalm 128 (Inwood): <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=URxg18QdEU0>

Salmo 144 (Cortés): https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vKtuqpg_EXQ

Salmo 148 (Rubalcava): <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VZf3pUF0zK8>

Preparation of Gifts

Hear Us Now, Our God and Father (HYFRYDOL):

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eBgPa0ALQrM>

Love Goes On (Farrell): <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ekeG8krp3ck>

Not For Tongues of Heaven's Angels (Joncas):

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=r8U7VTqgD5E>

When Love Is Found (O WALY WALY): <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mKwq0j6DwVo>

Prayer of St. Francis (Temple): <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AEoyqMG1bDA>

The Servant Song (Gillard): <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fkwdYAnOTdg>

Christ, Be Our Light (Farrell): <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KMkfKXLcm5Q>

Instrumental Pieces also for Preparation of Gifts

Aria – Wedding Cantata – Bach

Bist Du Bei Mir/If Thou Be Near – Bach

Elizabeth – Hume

Gabriel's Oboe – Morricone

He Shall Feed His Flock – Bach

Eucharistic Acclamations

Mass of Creation (Haugen): <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dZmzLbmMfoU>

Communion Song

One Bread, One Body (Foley): <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oboSmzG4bUg>

Taste and See (Moore): <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lgjZrVPwJ2A>

Pan de Vida (Hurd): <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=t3ogyIXcPsA>

Ubi Caritas (Hurd): <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QvYSj0azOBI>

Christ, Be Our Light (Farrell): <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KMkfKXLcm5Q>

Here I Am, Lord – Schutte: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zBg-yDhM2KY>

Eat This Bread - Taize <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xDqk-DMS4Mk>

Take and Eat – Joncas <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ri0lr3mm4r4>

Bilingual

Lord, when You Came to the Seashore (Pescador de Hombres)

Pan de Vida – Hurd

Amen El Cuerpo – Schiavone

Other Music Pieces

- 1 Blessing the Marriage – text: John Bell; tune: SUSSEX CAROL (634 in Gather 2)
- 2 Bridal Prayer (Copelan)
- 3 Gift of Love (Hopson)
- 4 How Beautiful (Twila Paris)
- 5 In Love We Choose to Live – Jeanne Cotter (#627 in the blue Gather 2)
- 6 Laudate Dominum (Mozart)
- 7 Love Is the Boat for the Journey (Irish, arr. Callanan)
- 8 Not for Tongues of Heaven’s Angels – Michael Joncas (#612)
- 9 Nuptial Blessing (May God Bless You) – Joncas (#859)
- 10 Set Your Heart on the Higher Gifts - Warner (#611)
- 11 Tis the Gift to Be Simple – Copeland or other arrangements(#657)
- 12 Today and Tomorrow - Lori True (GIA Wedding Music Series)
13. When Love Is Found (#856)– text: Brian Wren; tune: O WALY WALY)
14. We Will Serve the Lord (As for me and my house) 632 in G2)