



Holy Spirit Parish

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QUINCEANERA REGISTRATION FORM

Name of Quinceanera: _____ Date/Time requesting: _____

Name of School: _____ Grade: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Name of Parents: _____ & _____ Telephone: _____

Registered in the Parish: YES ___ NO ___ Email: _____ English ___ or Espanol ___

Quinceanera Requirements & Guidelines

A Quinceanera is not a Catholic sacrament; however, it is a significant cultural celebration to thank God for the gift of life.

REQUIREMENTS:

- Candidate must have received the sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation and the sacramental certificates must be submitted at time of registration. If candidate has not received the sacrament of confirmation, she must be currently enrolled in our program and/or fulfill the Candidate Requirements as indicated below.
- Candidate and parent(s) must complete a Quinceanera Mass Registration form at least 6 months prior to requested date but no earlier than 1 year and sign the Quinceanera Acknowledgement form.

DONATION:

-\$350.00 per celebration for a stewardship/membership family.

-An additional \$150.00 will be required for a non-stewardship/non-member family.

-A stewardship member contributes \$500 or more per year.

NO DATE IS CONFIRMED UNTIL PASTOR'S APPROVAL

CANDIDATE REQUIREMENTS:

- Must complete all Confirmation requirements before the celebration and attend Mass weekly.
- Candidate must attend a Quinceanera Preparation program.
- The quinceanera and her parents must have an interview with pastor 3 months prior to the 15th birthday.
- Schedule a rehearsal prior to the event.

QUINCEANERA CELEBRATION/LITURGY GUIDELINES

- There are no Quinceanera celebrations during Lent.
- Quinceanera Masses are scheduled when approved by the Pastor.

Rehearsal

- Rehearsals are scheduled 1-2 days prior to ceremony for one hour and will begin promptly at scheduled time and end at allotted time. It is your responsibility to ensure that all participants arrive on time.

During Mass

- Mass will begin promptly at scheduled time. Please arrive at least 30 minutes prior to the ceremony.
- Only the parents and godparents may process in and out with candidate.
- The court may enter in front of her. No more than 7 women/girls and 7 men/boys.
- Gifts permitted during the celebration are Ring___ Medal___ Bible___ Rosary___ Flowers for the Virgin Mary___.

Music/Photography

- All music must be played live (recorded music not allowed)
- Please contact the parish office at least 3 months prior to Mass to reserve musicians.
- Still photography and videography are allowed; however, they must be discreet and respectful of the church and not interfere with the liturgy.

Decorations/Floral Arrangements

- The sanctuary and church environment are set according to the liturgical season, feast days and solemnities. Any additional floral arrangements or decorations must be pre-approved. Decorations should be kept simple.
- Sanctuary and church items may not be moved or removed under any circumstances.

After Mass

- To ensure that the church and other areas used are clean and do not cause interruption or delay of any ceremonies or Masses to follow, please assign someone to be responsible for removal of all ceremony items (i.e. programs) and personal items left in the church.
- Holy Spirit and the Diocese of Gary assumes no liability for any and all items left inside or outside the church or for any lost items.

Attire/Church Etiquette

- Candidate, participants/members of the court must be dressed appropriately for the church ceremony. Modesty is essential. At the discretion of the presider, the candidate, participants/members of the court may be required to wear a cover-up (shawl) if the attire is deemed inappropriate.
- Men cannot wear hats inside the church building.
- Inappropriate behavior by guests and/or members of the Court of Honor reflect on the candidate and the family. Please encourage those participating and attending to adhere to church policies, church etiquette and attire.
- Food, drinks, tobacco, or alcohol are prohibited. Animals not allowed with exception of service animals.

I understand all the information above. I also understand that the fee for my daughter's Quinceanera will be \$_____ and that I am responsible for this payment in full at least thirty (30) days before the date of the Mass.

Signature: _____ Printed Name: _____ Date: _____

Approved by: _____ Celebrant: _____