

QUINCEAÑERA CEREMONY PLAN

Name / Date / Time

Planning Notes:

- **Seating Plan:** A diagram for the seating of the Quinceañera, her parents, and her attendants should be done way in advance. and be brought to the Quinceañera liturgy as well. Complete the form on page six.
- **Processional Plan:** A diagram for the order of the procession should be done way in advance, and be brought to the Quinceañera liturgy as well. Complete the form on page six.
- **Gifts Plan:** Please let the priest know what the religious gifts are in advance, and who will be presenting them to the Quinceañera. Complete the form on page six.
- **Music:** Music selections must be liturgical and sacred. Anything found in our hymnal is acceptable, and some of the hymns have Spanish words. All music is approved in advance by the priest.
- **Musicians:** Our parish musicians provide the music for Quinceañeras in or church. However, when something is to be sung in Spanish, the family should provide a cantor who is fluent in Spanish.
- **On Time:** Like other liturgies at our parish, like Sunday Mass, and especially like weddings, we always start on time. So, please be at church at least a half-hour early. The church is open one hour before the liturgy.

Opening Rites:

- **Greeting at the Narthex Doors:** The priest greets the Quinceañera and her attendants at the Narthex Doors, and leads them in procession to the altar during the Opening Hymn or Music.
- **Entrance Hymn or Music:** _____
Suggestions: No Temas Mas / Be Not Afraid or Pescador de Hombres / Lord You Have Come
- **The Liturgy begins** after the conclusion of the hymn or music, with Greeting and the Opening Prayer.
- **The Liturgy of the Word** is included in every Quinceañera celebration. The readings come from the special Lectionary. They are selected in advance and approved by the priest. Please go to page two.

Liturgy of the Word:

For the Readings, please consult the document “Scripture Readings for Quinceañera Celebrations.” Spanish speaking lectors and cantors may be needed for these parts. Translations should be available as well.

Old Testament Reading	
Reader	

Responsorial Psalm	
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New Testament Reading	
Reader	

Gospel Acclamation	
Gospel Reading / Homily	

Option. *The following reading is recommended in the official Quinceañera Ritual Book of the Church. As noted, it can be used as the only reading, or it can be used as the first reading for the Liturgy of the Word.*

*Lectura del libro del profeta Jeremías: (1,4-10). En tiempo de Josías, el Señor me dirigió estas palabras: “Desde antes de formarte en el seno materno, te conozco; desde antes de que nacieras, te consagré profeta para las naciones”. Yo le contesté: “Pero, Señor mío, yo no sé expresarme, porque apenas soy un muchacho”. El Señor me dijo: “No digas que eres un muchacho, pues irás adonde yo te envíe y dirás lo que yo te mandé. No tengas miedo, porque yo estoy contigo para protegerte”, palabra del Señor. El Señor extendió entonces su brazo, con su mano me tocó la boca y me dijo: “Desde hoy pongo mis palabras en tu boca y te doy autoridad sobre pueblos y reyes, para que arranques y derribes, para que destruyas y deshagas, para que edifiques y plantes”. Palabra de Dios. **Todos:** Te alabamos, Señor.*

*A reading from the Book of the Prophet Jeremiah: (1:4-10). The word of the Lord came to me thus: Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I dedicated you, a prophet to the nations I appointed you. “Ah, Lord God!” I said, “I know not how to speak; I am too young.” But the Lord answered me, Say not, “I am too young.” To whomever I send you, you shall go, whatever I command you, you shall speak. Have no fear before them, because I am with you to deliver you, says the Lord. Then the Lord extended his hand and touched my mouth, saying, See, I place my words in your mouth! This day I set you over nations and over kingdoms, To root up and to tear down, to destroy and to demolish, to build and to plant. The Word of the Lord. **All:** Thanks be to God.*

Prayers of the Faithful: read in Spanish or in English by _____

Sacerdote: Encomendando nuestros cuidados y preocupaciones a Dios, por medio de la persona de Cristo, al decir: “Te rogamos, Señor.”

Diácono/Lector: Por nuestro Santo Padre, **N.**, por nuestro obispo **N.**, y todos los que han dedicado su vida al servicio del pueblo de Dios, para que sigan fielmente su vocación, roguemos al Señor.

Por las autoridades civiles para que cumplan con sus deberes con justicia y compasión para el bien de todos, roguemos al Señor.

Por **N.**, que celebra su cumpleaños hoy, para que siga el camino de Jesús con alegría y generosidad, roguemos al Señor.

Por los padres, los abuelitos y los padrinos de **N.** para que continúen gozando el fruto de su amor en sus hijos, roguemos al Señor

Por los jóvenes, particularmente por los “compañeros de fe” de **N.**, para que tengan la fuerza necesaria de vivir según sus principios cristianos, roguemos al Señor.

Por los enfermos y los pobres de nuestra comunidad, para que sientan el amor de Dios por ellos a través de los que alivian sus necesidades, roguemos al Señor.

Por todos nuestros parientes difuntos, para que gocen de la visión de Dios en el cielo, roguemos al Señor.

Por todas nuestras intenciones personales que están en lo íntimo de nuestro corazón y por todos aquellos por quienes debemos orar, para que reciban las gracias que necesitan, roguemos al Señor.

Sacerdote: Dios de amor, a Ti nos acercamos con estas peticiones que te ofrecemos porque te necesitamos. Por Jesucristo, nuestro Señor. **Todos:** Amén.

Priest: We commend our cares and concerns to God, through the person of Christ, saying: “Lord, hear our prayer.”

Deacon/Lector: For our Holy Father, **N.**, our bishop **N.**, our pastor **N.**, and all those who have dedicated their life to the service of God's people, that they may continue to follow faithfully their vocation. We pray to the Lord.

For our civic rulers that they may perform their duties with justice and compassion for the good of all. We pray to the Lord.

For **N.** who is celebrating her birthday today, that she may continue with happiness and generosity in the way of the Lord. We pray to the Lord.

For the parents, grandparents and godparents of **N.**, that they may continue to enjoy the fruit of their love in their children. We pray to the Lord.

For the youth, particularly the “faith companions” of **N.**, that they may have the necessary strength to live according to their Christian principles. We pray to the Lord.

For the sick and the poor in our community, that they may experience God's love for them as those around them respond to their needs. We pray to the Lord.

For all our faithful departed, that they may enjoy the vision of God in heaven. We pray to the Lord.

For all our personal intentions that are deep in our hearts and for all those for whom we should pray, that they may receive the graces they need. We pray to the Lord.

Priest: Loving Creator, we come before you with faith and love to praise your goodness and to acknowledge our need. We ask you to hear the prayers we make in the name of Jesus the Lord. Amen.

Rite of Blessing for the Quinceañera:

- **Prayer of the Quinceañera:** in Spanish or in English, standing at the altar steps, facing the altar

Señor, Dios mío, te doy gracias por darme la vida al crearme a tu imagen y semejanza y por llamarme a ser tu hija en el bautismo. Gracias por enviar a tu Hijo Jesucristo a salvarme y a tu Espíritu Santo para santificarme. Quiero responder que “sí” a todo lo que tú deseas de mí en tu bondad y amor. Con tu gracia me comprometo a servir a mis hermanas y hermanos a lo largo de mi vida. Me consagro a ti, María, Madre de Jesús y Madre nuestra, Tú estás muy cerca de él y eres mi modelo de fe, concédeme que continuamente aprenda de ti lo que necesito para ser una mujer cristiana. Ayúdame a escuchar la Palabra de Dios como tú lo hiciste, guardándola en mi corazón y amando a los demás para que, al caminar con Jesús en esta vida, merezca alabarle junto a ti para siempre en el cielo. Amén.

Heavenly Father, I thank you for the gift of life for creating me in your image and likeness and for calling me to be your daughter through baptism. Thank you for sending your Son Jesus to save me and your Holy Spirit to sanctify me. To that which in your goodness and love you will for me, I say “yes,” With your grace I commit myself to serve my brothers and sisters all my life. Mary, Mother of Jesus and our Mother, I dedicate myself to you. Since you are my model of faith, help me to continue learning from you what I need to be a Christian woman. Help me to hear the Word of God as you did, holding it in my heart and loving others, so that, as I walk with Jesus in this life, I may worship Him with you in all eternity. Amen.

- **Response of the Priest** to this prayer: in Spanish or in English

N., que este compromiso que hoy has hecho Dios lo lleve a su feliz término.

N., may God who has begun this good work in you bring it to completion.

- **Marian Bouquet** presented by the Quinceañera at the Marian Shrine
- **Hymn** during the Marian Bouquet: _____
Suggestion: Ave Maria (in Latin)
- **Presentation of Gifts** to the Quinceañera: As the Quinceañera stands at the altar steps, the designated people come forward to present religious gifts to the Quinceañera.
- **Blessing of the Quinceañera** by the Priest: in Spanish or in English

Sacredote: Dios amoroso, Tú creaste a todos los pueblos de la tierra y nos conoces a cada uno por nombre. Te damos gracias por **N.**, que celebra hoy sus quince años. Bendícela con tu amor y Amistad para que pueda crecer en sabiduría, conocimiento y gracia, amando siempre a su familia y siendo fiel a sus amigos. Por Jesucristo nuestro Señor. **Todos:** Amén.

Priest: Loving God, you created all the people of the world and you know each of us by name. We thank you for **N.**, who today celebrates her fifteenth birthday. Bless her with your love and friendship that she may grow in wisdom, knowledge, and grace. May she love her family always and be faithful to her friends. Grant this through Christ our Lord. **All:** Amen.

Concluding Rites:

- **Final Blessing and Dismissal:** The priest or deacon concludes the Quinceañera liturgy with a closing prayer, blessing, and dismissal as usual.
- **Recessional Hymn or Music:** _____
Suggestion: En sus Alas / On Eagle's Wings
- **Recessional:** During the final hymn or music, the priest leads the Quinceañera, her attendants and family, to the Narthex. The congregation follows them to the Narthex.
- **Pictures Afterward:** After the congregation has left the main part of the church and gone to the Narthex, some pictures of the Quinceañera may be taken by the altar and by the statue of Mary.



Seating Plan for the Family and Guests in Church

Pews on the Left Side of Church	Pews on the Right Side of Church
1	1
2	2
3	3
4	4
5	5
6	6
7	7

Order for the Entrance Procession of the Quinceañera

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The Quinceañera enters at the end of the procession line.

Religious Gifts

Presenter of the Gifts

1	1
2	2
3	3
4	4
5	5
6	6
7	7

Notes: