

HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC CHURCH
Wharton, Texas
ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC MISSION
Boling, Texas

QUINCEAÑERA GUIDELINES

MUST BE:

1. Practicing Catholic and attending Mass on Sundays/Holy Days.
2. Currently attending Catholic school or CCD and attended regularly for at least the previous 3 years.
3. Baptized as Catholic.
4. Celebrated first Penance and First Holy Communion.
5. A registered member of the parish.
6. Must complete an interview with the pastor or deacon.

SCHEDULING:

Must be scheduled at least ONE YEAR in advance and may NOT be scheduled during Advent or Lent. Must be scheduled on a Saturday to begin no later than 2:00 p.m.

PREPARATION:

Preparation must be completed at <http://www.catholicquinceprep.com> before the interview with the pastor or deacon.

CELEBRATION:

1. Rehearsals are not conducted.
2. Type of Celebration:
 - a) Holy Mass (with a priest as celebrant): No court, escort, padrinos, or gifts other than a rosary, bible and flowers for the Blessed Mother are allowed (No rehearsal is conducted).
 - b) Liturgy of the Word (with a deacon as celebrant): No court, escort, padrinos or gifts other than a rosary, bible, and flowers for the Blessed Mother are allowed (No rehearsal may be conducted).
3. Music and lectors are your responsibility and should be made well in advance.
4. Music must be of a spiritual/religious nature. Secular songs/music are not allowed. Musicians should be proficient liturgical musicians and familiar with the celebration of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass or the Liturgy of the Word.
5. Only liturgical readings from sacred scripture are allowed for the Liturgy of the Word. Options will be discussed during the interview

STIPEND:

The offering for the church is \$200.00 and must be paid no later than two (2) weeks in advance. Please make checks payable to Holy Family Catholic Church or St. Joseph Mission and enclose a note with your name and date of the Quinceanera. If you are inviting clergy from another parish or diocese to participate in the celebration, it must first be discussed with and approved by the pastor.