

Dear Couple,

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate you on this special chapter of your life.

In this package I have included a guide to assist you in choosing appropriate music for the wedding celebration. Please read through each section carefully as you make your selections.

Please note that music selections are final a week before your wedding. If I do not receive your requests by then, I will pick traditional Catholic wedding repertoire.

Requests for extra musicians, or a special request for your leader of song (Cantor) must be made at least three months before the wedding.

All requests are subject to approval. If I must purchase the musical score for a requested piece, there will be additional charge.

Please come after mass and introduce yourself!

I sincerely thank you for including me in this special celebration, and I look forward to collaborating with you. Do not hesitate to contact me at any point along the way. May God bless you!

Regards, Dr. Patricio Molina Director of Music <u>patricio.molina@stachurchbloomfield.org</u>

Bride's Name (First and Last): ______Groom's Name (First and Last): ______ Contact Phone and Email: ______ Wedding Date and Time: ______ at _____



EXTRA MUSICIANS

This is **optional**, and only if desired. Your wedding package already comes with a Cantor (song leader) and a pianist/organist (myself). Please list any extra instrumentalists/vocalists desired. Each will charge their own extra fee that you must negotiate and pay to them individually.

Please list extra instrumentalists/vocalists desired, or write N/A.

PRELUDES

These pieces will be played before the start of the wedding, and will be heard by your guests as they take their seats and await your arrival.

These selections may be popular/nonreligious music if you desire. All will be subject to approval.

You may choose up to three Preludes. If you don't want any preludes, please write "N/A".

Prelude #1:	 	
Prelude #2:	 	
Prelude #3:		



THE MARRIAGE MASS/CEREMONY

A Note About Music Selections

Music selections made for liturgical use within the church must adhere to particular guidelines. We refer to the Catechism of the Catholic Church when choosing music for the marriage ceremony/mass:

[**1157**] Song and music fulfill their function as signs in a manner all the more significant when they are 'more closely connected . . . with the liturgical action,' according to three principal criteria: beauty expressive of prayer, the unanimous participation of the assembly at the designated moments, and the solemn character of the celebration. In this way they participate in the purpose of the liturgical words and actions: the glory of God and the sanctification of the faithful.

For this reason, music that will be played during the ceremony/mass must either be sacred in origin or aligned with this ethos. You may choose from the preapproved music, or make a request which will be subject to approval.



PROCESSION OF THE MOTHERS AND BRIDESMAIDS

This will be the music heard as the mothers and bridesmaids process in ahead of the bride. Circle One:

<u>Air on the G String, J.S. Bach</u> <u>Canon in D Johann, Pachelbel</u> Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring, J.S. Bach

Request (subject to approval): _____

PROCESSION OF THE BRIDE

Circle One:

Brautlied (from Lohengrin), Richard Wagner Grand March (from Aida), Giuseppe Verdi Ombra Mai Fu (from Serse), George Frederic Handel Trumpet Voluntary, Jeremiah Clarke Rondeau, Jean-Joseph Mouret Grand Processional, George Frederic Handel Trumpet Tune, Henry Purcell



RESPONSORIAL PSALM

After the first reading, the Cantor will lead this section in song. Circle one:

<u>Psalm 128: "We Praise You" Ducote and Daigle</u> <u>Psalm 34: "Taste and See" Moore</u> <u>Psalm 103: "Loving and Forgiving" Soper</u> <u>Psalm 4: "Lord, let your face shine upon us" Haugen</u> <u>Psalm 128: "Blessed are those who love you" Haugen</u> <u>Psalm 34: "Taste and See" Hurd</u> <u>Psalm 33: "The Earth if Full of Beauty" Cotter</u>

Request (subject to approval): _____

EXCHANGE OF VOWS

This music will play immediately after your wedding vows are exchanged. Circle one:

The Prayer, Bayer, Foster May God Bless and Keep You, Walker May God Bless You, Grieken Be Thou My Vision, Byrne and DeBruyn Prayer of St. Francis, Temple Sing a Joyful Song, Farrell Sing a New Song, Schutte Sing to the Mountains, Dufford Taste and See, Hurd The God of All Grace, Manalo This Day Was Made by the Lord, Walker Ubi Caritas, B. Hurd Ubi Caritas, Rosania When Love is Found, Traditional English Melody Where Love is Found, Schutte Wherever You Go, Norbet



THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

NOTE: If you opted only to have a wedding ceremony and not a full mass, please skip ahead to "Recessional".

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS

This music will play while the priest prepares the altar. Circle one:

Be Thou My Vision, Byrne and DeBruyn When Love is Found, Traditional English Melody Where Love is Found, Schutte Prayer of St. Francis, Temple Ubi Caritas, Rosania Here I am, Lord, Schutte Christ, Be Our Light, Farrell In Perfect Charity, DeBruyn The King of Love My Shepherd Is



COMMUNION

This music will play while you and your guests take communion. Circle one:

Panis Angelicus [Bread of Heaven], Franck One Bread, One Body John Foley I Have Loved You, Joncas Ave Verum Corpus, Mozart Taste and See, Moore Prayer of St. Francis, Temple O God, You Search Me and You Know Me, Farrell How Great Thou Art, Boberg Let There be Peace on Earth, Jackson, Snyder Behold the Lamb, Willett How Beautiful, Paris One Bread, One Cup, Fisher

Request (subject to approval): _____

PRESENTATION OF THE FLOWERS TO THE VIRGIN MARY (OPTIONAL)

This is an optional addition to the mass where music is played/sung while the couple walks to the statue of Mary together and leaves flowers, kneels for prayer if desired, and returns to the altar.

Ave Maria, Franz Schubert Hail Holy Queen, Harold, DeBruyn Salve Regina, Traditional Chant Sing of Mary, Palmer, Williams Hail Mary: Gentle Woman, Landry



RECESSIONAL

This music will play as you exit the church first, followed by your guests. Circle one:

Wedding March, Mendelssohn Hornpipe, Handel Ode to Joy, Beethoven Trumpet Voluntary, Clarke Rondeau, Mouret

Request (subject to approval): _____

<u>NOTES</u>

Please use this space to write any other comments or notes for the wedding day. Questions should be sent directly to me via email.

Please return the completed form to me via email at patricio.molina@stachurchbloomfield.org.