Suggested Music for Catholic Church Weddings

Some Notes about Music:

1) The last name of the composer is given after each song title. If you would like to listen to the suggestions, almost all of the listed music is on YouTube, or I can play through them for you one day at Church.

2) Contact me when you are ready to select music. Typically this is done 2-3 months prior to the wedding. We can either communicate via email/phone, or we can plan to meet in Church after one of the weekend Masses.

My contact info: Mrs. Elaine Johnson (Music Director) email: epjohnson@comcast.net phone: 215-918-0283

3) My fee is \$175 cash and should be paid to the Parish Office 2 weeks in advance.

4) I will provide you with a cantor to sing at your wedding, or you may request one of St. Robert's current cantors. Their fee is \$125 cash, which should also be paid to the Parish Office two weeks in advance. If you would prefer to bring in your own singer please let me know so that another cantor isn't scheduled for your wedding day. You will also need to have them contact me prior to the wedding so they can coordinate with the organist and avoid any confusion at the time of the ceremony.

5) Outside musician's are permitted (for example flute, harp) but this should be done in advance because many professional musicians get booked up quickly. Note that on average a musician's fee can be \$250 or more. If you should hire an outside musician please have them contact me as soon as possible so that there are no surprises the day of the wedding.

6) Outside organists are permitted as long as they contact me. There should be no surprises or last minute changes the day of the wedding. Organists should be professional and have experience in Catholic Liturgy.

7) Music rehearsal takes place on the day of the wedding, not at your rehearsal the night before. Trust me...your rehearsal will be much shorter without the music!

8) All of the music on the following pages has been chosen by former brides and grooms for their weddings. You are not limited to what is on the list. However, if you plan to select other music, it must be appropriate and approved for the Church. Please contact me at any time about music that is not on the list.

Seating of the Parents/Grandparents (pick one) You are Mine - Haas Hail Mary, Gentle Woman - Landry Ave Maria - Schubert or Bach versions You Raise Me Up - instrumental version The Prayer - Sager & Foster Love Never Fails - Bach's Air on the G String Parent's Prayer (Let Go of Two) - Steven Curtis Chapman The Wedding Song - Peter, Paul and Mary Other _____

Processional (pick 3: 2 for entrance and 1 for exit) Canon in D - Pachelbel Ode to Joy - Beethoven Trumpet Voluntary - Purcell/Clarke Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring - Bach Air on the G String - Bach Hornpipe - Handel Wedding March - Mendelssohn Bridal Chorus - Wagner (Here Come the Bride) Rondeau - Mouret Other _____

Reponsorial Psalm (pick one) Psalm 34: Taste and see the goodness of the Lord. Psalm 33/34: Every morning in your eyes I will bless God. Psalm 103: The Lord is kind and merciful. Psalm 103: Loving and Forgiving are you, O Lord. Psalm 128: Blest are those who love you; happy those who follow you; blest are those who seek you, O God. Other _____

<u>Gospel Acclamation</u> Celtic Alleluia (with verse)

Presentation of the Gifts (pick one) Wherever You Go - Haas When Love is Found - O Waly Waly Where there is Love - Haas Prayer of St. Francis Panis Angelicus (traditional or Franck) As Grains of Wheat - Rosania Other _____ Communion (pick one) How Beautiful - Twila Paris Here at This Table - Whitaker My Song Will Be For You Forever - Haas Take and Eat - Joncas One Love Released - Frenzel/Keil The Supper of the Lord - Rosania Panis Angelicus (traditional or Franck) Behold the Lamb - Willett Gift of Finest Wheat - Kreutz One Bread, One Body - Foley Pan De Vida - Hurd Other _____

<u>Presentation of Flowers to Mary (optional)</u> Ave Maria (Schubert or Bach versions) Hail Mary, Gentle Woman - Landry On This Day, O Beautiful Mother - traditional Mary's Song - Rieth Other _____

Recessional (Exit - choose one from first page of Processionals) Recommended: Wedding March - Mendelssohn Hornpipe - Handel Ode to Joy - Beethoven