

ST. EDWARD THE CONFESSOR CHURCH WEDDING MUSIC INFORMATION

MUSIC DIRECTOR/ORGANIST:

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STANDARD WEDDING FEE: \$200.00 – Payable to the church organist at the wedding rehearsal.

The fee includes the following:

A. WEDDING PREPARATION

1. One (1) meeting with the bride or couple to select music. Please note that the music must conform to the Diocesan “Guidelines on Music for Weddings” and to our own Parish guidelines.
2. One (1) practice with soloist(s) or musicians, if any
3. Organist’s attendance at the wedding rehearsal

B. WEDDING DAY MUSIC

1. Preludes – usually about 20 minutes
2. Processional piece(s) for the parents, grandparents and bridal party
3. Music/accompaniment during the wedding liturgy
4. Recessional
5. Postludes

Any additional musical preparation will gladly be negotiated as required.

SOLOISTS: Excellent soloists/cantors are available at through the church. The organist will have a list of available soloists. You may also use a soloist or musicians of your choice. Please note that you need to plan for a cantor/soloist to sing the parts of the mass as well as the pieces chosen by the bride and groom. This fee is to be paid directly to the cantor/soloist.

PHOTOGRAPHERS, VIDEOGRAPHERS & OTHER MUSICIANS IN THE CHOIR LOFT: Please let these vendors know that equipment cannot be placed in front of the organ bench or on either immediate side of the organ because the organist uses a system of mirrors at the organ. Also, please ask them to have all their equipment set up in the choir loft about 20 minutes before the start of the wedding.

MUSIC SELECTION APPOINTMENT: Please schedule an appointment with the organist about two months before the wedding date. We welcome your music ideas and suggestions and we also have a large repertoire of liturgically appropriate classical and modern music available. A partial list of appropriate music for the liturgy is attached. The appointment takes approximately 30 to 45 minutes. If you plan to use a friend or family member as a soloist, please plan to bring this person with you to the appointment.

USE OF NON-CHURCH MUSICIANS: If you do not plan to use the church’s musicians, please contact the church organist as soon as possible with this information so that you can be removed from our Music Ministry wedding schedule.

We look forward to working with you to make this part of your wedding preparation as stress-free as possible!