

Congratulations on your impending Marriage, and welcome to the Sacred Heart Parish Family. Thank you sincerely for choosing to share this joyous sacrament here. I am excited to help you plan the music for your wedding ceremony or mass at your convenience.

First the Basics:

Places for Music during a ceremony with Eucharist (\*indicates must have, all others places are optional):

Prelude

Procession (may use one song for bridal party, and different for Bride herself)

Gathering Song

\* Psalm Response (after 1st reading)

\*Gospel Acclamation (also known as the Alleluia outside of Lent)

Preparation of Gifts/Unity Candle (one song will cover both actions)

\*Mass Acclamations (including Holy, Memorial Acclamation, Amen, Lamb of God)

Communion

Lighting of Unity Candle (optional)

Presentation of Flowers to Blessed Mother (optional)

Closing/Recessional

Places for Music during a ceremony without Eucharist (\*indicates must have, all others places are optional)

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Procession (may use one song for bridal party, and different for Bride herself)

Gathering Song

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Lighting of Unity Candle (optional)

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At Sacred Heart, the organist and one singer are part of the standard wedding fees laid out by the church.

We have a regular list of professional musicians for hire at an additional cost to the couple.

Examples of this may include: flute/harp/violin/trumpet/string quartet/vocal quartet or octet/ large scale ensembles (choir or chamber musicians) based upon the couple's musical request and budget.

While our list of music is not exhaustive, any non-standard musical requests must be cleared with the Director of Music and are subject to the discretion of the Pastor, and Archdiocesan regulations.

We regret that we are not able to offer any secular (non-sacred) musical selections at the celebration of your sacrament. Please feel free to contact our Director of Music, Jennifer D. Behnke at [music@shcbloomfield.org](mailto:music@shcbloomfield.org) with any questions.

## Suggested list of music for Catholic weddings

### **Catholic Wedding Songs - Prelude**

- Ave Maria. Franz Shubert (solo)
- One Hand, One Heart. L. Bernstein (solo)
- Laudate Dominum. Mozart (solo/choral)

### **Catholic Wedding Songs – Processional**

- Bridal March. Wagner
- Canon in D. Pachabel
- Trumpet Voluntary - Clarke
- Trumpet Voluntary – Stanley
- Allegro Moderato (from Water Music) - Handel Largo from Xerxes, George Frederic Handel
- Sheep May Safely Graze, Johann Sebastian Bach
- Prince of Denmark March, Jeremiah Clarke
- March from Judas Maccabaeus, George Frederic Handel
- Trumpet Tune, Henry Purcell
- Prelude to Te Deum, Marc-Antoine Charpentier
- Trumpet Tune in D, David Johnson
- Trumpet March, Jean-Baptiste Lully

### **Catholic Wedding Songs - Gathering - With Congregation**

- God in the Planning and Purpose of life – John S. Bell (text) SLANE
- When Love is Found (Brian Wren (text) O WALY WALY
- Wherever You Go - Song of Ruth - David Haas, music
- Love Has Brought Us Here together Mary Louise Bringle (text) HYFRYDOL
- God of Love, Embrace your people James Chepponis (text) HYMN TO JOY
- Love is the Sunlight Borghild Jacobson (text) BUNESSAN
- Love Divine, All Loves Excelling – HYFRYDOL
- Ubi Caritas est vera – Bob Hurd-*English*/Pedro Rubalcava-*Español*

### **Catholic Wedding Songs - Presentation of Gifts**

- I Have Loved You - Joncas
- Prayer of St. Francis - Sebastian Temple
- Servant Song - McGarill
- The Lord is Kind and Merciful - Haugen
- With This Ring - Copeland

### **Catholic Wedding Songs - Communion**

- Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring – Bach (solo/choral)
- Panis Angelicus - Cesar Franck (solo/choral)
- One Bread, One Body – Foley
- Servant Song - McGarill
- Here I Am Lord - Schutte
- Gift of Finest Wheat - Kreutz
- Taste and See - Moore
- I Have Loved You
- Laudate Dominum – Mozart (solo/choral)

### **Catholic Wedding Songs - Recessional**

- Allegro Maestoso (from Water Music) - Handel
- Joyful, Joyful We Adore You - Hymn, Beethoven
- Ode to Joy - Beethoven
- Rondeau - Mouret
- Psalm 19 - Benedetto Marcello
- Wedding March – Mendelssohn
- Hornpipe, from Water Music Suite, George Frederic Handel
- Rondeau from Symphony of Fanfares, Jean Joseph Mouret
- Ode to Joy, Ludwig van Beethoven
- The Rejoicing, from Fireworks Suite George Frideric Handel

Other Traditional music selections– (solos appropriate for prelude/presentation of gifts/unity candle)

Bist du Bei Mir, Johann Sebastian Bach

Widmung – R. Strauss

Choral selections within our ensemble's repertoire:

(this requires a minimum of 8 singers and as such will incur additional costs)

Set me as a seal – Rene Claussen

Sing me to heaven – Daniel Gawthrop

Do Not Be Afraid – Philip Stopford

Sure on This Shining Night – Morten Lauridsen

The Lord Bless You and Keep You – John Rutter

All Shall Be Amen and Alleluia – Thomas Keesecker

God So Loved the World – Bob Chilcott

Totus Tuus – Michael Trotta

Ubi Caritas – Michael Trotta