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## Quinceañeras

Quinceañeras are celebrated at St. Joseph Church for girls in the parish high school Confirmation program to help them to grow in faith and a sense of gratitude to God. Lavish, expensive quinceañera celebrations are accommodated but discouraged, and a proportional donation to the parish is required for such celebrations. Less expensive quinceañera celebrations are more consistent with authentic Christian life and stewardship and a more prudent use of family financial resources. These kinds of quinceañera celebrations are encouraged and gladly celebrated by the parish at its regularly-scheduled Friday and Saturday 7 pm Masses.

Quinceañeras se celebran en la Iglesia de St. Joseph para las jóvencitas en el programa de Confirmación de la parroquia para adolescentes para ayudarles a crecer en la fe y un sentimiento de gratitud a Dios. Celebraciones extravagantes y costosas son acomodadas pero no se recomiendan, y una donación proporcional a la parroquia se requiere para estas celebraciones. Celebraciones de quinceañeras más económicas son más consistentes con la auténtica vida cristiana y stewardship y un uso más prudente de los recursos financieros de la familia. La parroquia anima este tipo de celebración de la quinceañera y la celebra con mucho gusto en sus Misas regulares a las 7 pm los viernes y sábados.

### **Donations for Quinceañeras**

(Effective for quinceañeras scheduled on or after October 3, 2012)

#### ***Donation for quinceañera: \$1,200***

- Includes musician(s), church coordinator, server(s)
- \$500 nonrefundable deposit due at the time of the scheduling of the quinceañera – the date will not be reserved until the deposit is paid – with the remainder due no later than one month before the quinceañera
- \$1,200 donation includes all costs and fees for the parish high school Confirmation program – any amount previously paid for the parish high school Confirmation program can be deducted from the quinceañera donation. Quinceañera must be registered for the parish high school Confirmation program and be fully participating in all aspects of the program (classes, service activities, liturgies, etc.)
- In addition, each quinceañera and her parents must participate in a one-day retreat in preparation for the quinceañera day.
- Each quinceañera also must participate in one service activity under the supervision of the parish Confirmation coordinator.

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*Donation for quinceañera celebrated at a regularly-scheduled Friday or Saturday 7 pm Mass:*

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- Consisting only of the quinceañera reading the promise and receiving the blessing as prescribed by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops
- Without any special music or processional or recessional by the quinceañera or her “court”
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