

Wedding Music Guidelines/Fees/Sample Planning Sheet

The wedding liturgy is the most important part of your wedding day, and should be planned with care and respect for the liturgy and church.

You should meet with our Music Director, Paul Kusler, at least six (6) weeks before your wedding day. There are two regularly schedule Wedding Music Workshops presented at Saint Peter the Apostle. This workshop demonstrates different styles of liturgical music appropriate for your wedding liturgy.

At Saint Peter the Apostle, we follow the guidelines set by the Catholic Diocese of Paterson, New Jersey. These guidelines state: **Only sacred music will be suitable in the Church. Every day love songs, even some which have been widely and regularly performed at weddings elsewhere are unsuitable. These songs are left for your reception where you can enjoy them with your invited guests.** Often times a host of songs might be lovely tunes with beautiful and sometimes nostalgic sentiments, but are inappropriate for Church – before – during – or after the liturgy. The texts of these kinds of songs are limited to a personal dialogue between two lovers. During the wedding ceremony, we rise above everyday concerns to celebrate something more than worldly love. *You are there to celebrate a sacred moment, a Sacrament of the Church.*

As you consider planning your liturgy, please consider including music that can be easily sung by all. Our music director has a list of music that is appropriate for the wedding liturgy.

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Parish Music Director – Paul Kusler

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\$250.00 – This fee includes your initial planning session and your Ceremony.

\$75.00 – Rehearsal fee with an **outside soloist/instrumentalist**.

In other words, if you choose to use a soloist or instrumentalist that is not a regular parish musician, and requires extra rehearsal time, this fee applies.

Parish Soloist/Cantor

\$150.00 – This fee is made payable to the cantor/soloist from Saint Peter's that will sing for your wedding ceremony. Please confirm the name with the Music Director.

All music fees are to be mailed at least two weeks before your wedding date to the Parish Office address listed above. Please make sure the mailing label is addressed to Paul Kusler at the above address. Please make sure you specify the wedding date in the memo section of your check. The organist (parish music director), cantor/soloist's check, and/or instrumentalists checks can be mailed in the same envelope, but please make separate checks out to each.

Wedding Music Planner

Saint Peter the Apostle – *Couple's Copy*

Paul Kusler – Director of Music (paulkusler@aol.com)

Bride/Groom's Names: _____

Wedding Date: _____ Time: _____

Priest/Deacon: _____ Mass: _____ Ceremony: _____

Phone: _____
Evening Daytime

Email Address: _____

Processionals/Recessionals

- _____ Trumpet Tune in D Major – Henry Purcell
- _____ Trumpet Voluntary in D Major – Jeremiah Clarke
- _____ Cannon in D – Johann Pachelbel
- _____ Rigaudon – Andre Campra
- _____ Te Deum – Marc-Antoine Charpentier
- _____ Hornpipe – George F. Handel
- _____ Procession Alegre (Joyous Procession) – Garry Cornell

Psalm Response (The psalm is **sung** after the first reading by the cantor)

- _____ (C1) The earth is full of the goodness of the Lord, the goodness of the Lord. (Psalm 33)
- _____ (C2) Taste and see the goodness of the Lord, the goodness of the Lord. (Psalm 34)
- _____ (C3) The Lord is kind and merciful. (Psalm 103)
- _____ (C4) The just man is a light in darkness to the upright. (Psalm 112)
- _____ (C5) Blest are those who love you, happy those who follow you, blest are those who seek you, O God. (Psalm 128)
- _____ (C6) I will praise your name, my King and my God. (Psalm 145)
- _____ (C7) Let all creation praise the Lord. (Psalm 148)

Preparation of the Gifts (Mass only)

_____	Joyful, Joyful We Adore You	#528 – Gather Hymnal
_____	Faith, Hope and Love	#624 – Gather Hymnal
_____	We Have Been Told	#669 – Gather Hymnal
_____	God Is Love	#629 – Gather Hymnal
_____	I Have Loved You	#504 – Gather Hymnal
_____	_____	(other)

Hymn During Communion (Mass only)

_____	Love One Another	#630 – Gather Hymnal
_____	One Bread, One Body	#830 – Gather Hymnal
_____	You Satisfy the Hungry Heart	#815 – Gather Hymnal
_____	_____	(other)

Notes:

Listen to the music you have chosen at: www.saintpetertheapostle.org, click on music ministry, wedding music, music samples.