



Shrine of the True Cross Catholic Church

Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston

Policy for Presentations at Mass

Announcements or Presentations Given in Church at Mass by others than the priest or deacon may be allowed at the Pastor's discretion. The following requirements are to be faithfully followed as a condition for being allowed to present at Mass:

1. The presenter must submit their request no less than two weeks in advance of the requested weekend presentation.
2. All presentations are to be given at all weekend Masses and in both English and Spanish languages
3. The presenter is to provide, at the same time of submitting the request to present, an electronic copy of the text, English and Spanish, that they would like to present so that it may be reviewed for any necessary modifications.
4. The prepared text is to require no longer than 2-3 minutes duration of time.
5. The presenter must follow the guidelines for appropriate dress in Mass required of all liturgical ministers. "At all Masses men wear coat and tie. Women wear a *modest* dress, suit, or pant suit. (*Modest* is defined as covering back, no plunging neckline and no more than 2 inches above the top of the knee)."
6. The presenter will check in with the priest at least 15 minutes before each Mass to confirm their presence at church.
7. The presenter is to sit in the area near the piano; at the end of the first or second pew nearest the priest's chair in clear line of sight with the priest.
8. Unless the priest indicates otherwise, the presenter is to move up to the ambo at the conclusion of the Prayer after Communion so as to avoid a delay due to waiting for the presenter to get into place. The presenter is to wait until he or she is introduced by the priest.

Oremus pro invicem (Let us pray for one another),

Yours in Christ,

Fr. Paul Felix,
Pastor

Ave Crux, Spes Unica!

Hail O Cross, Our Only Hope!

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