

## St John Neumann Flower Guild Guidelines

The Flower Guild of St. John Neumann is a creative and talented ministry of volunteers from the parish whose main purpose is to provide liturgically-correct flowers for the altar for Sunday worship and feast days.

There are many floral options available for our couples at St John Neumann:

1. You may choose not to purchase flowers and enjoy our worship space as is with the planned flowers for the weekend Masses. During special liturgical seasons and summer there may be no altar flowers provided for Mass. Please check with your SJN wedding liaison.
2. For a small donation of 100.00 our guild will modify the already planned altar flowers for the weekend Masses to compliment your wedding. During special liturgical seasons and summer there may be no altar flowers provided for Mass. Please check with your SJN wedding liaison.
3. If you would like to have flowers that are specific to your wedding and more than the 2 planned arrangements, there are different packages available from the guild. Please contact Dee McKenzie for availabilities, information, guidelines and costs. Her number is 512-382-1699. This is a sample of what the guild may offer:
  - a) Basic Package – May include two large altar and two tabernacle arrangements made specifically for your wedding. These flowers may include Asiatic lilies, roses, mums, gladiolas, carnations, snapdragons, larkspur, greenery, filler flowers, etc.
  - b) Premium Package - Includes two large altar arrangements using more expensive or exotic flowers, such as hydrangeas, tulips, calla lilies, garden roses, orchids, anthuriums, etc.
  - c) Premium Plus Package - Includes the above package plus two tabernacle arrangements using the above premium flowers.
4. If you would like to hire an outside florist, you may do so within the SJN floral policies and with a contract we provide for the florist to sign. We recommend, certified Texas Master Florist, Dee McKenzie. She can be reached at 512-382-1699.
5. Please plan to leave behind the flowers in the sanctuary space to beautify our church. This required donation not only helps the church financially, but it creates a practical opportunity for extending the investment of your flowers. Instead of using them for one evening and disposing of them; they will remain on public display for several days. It also removes the hassle of transporting them from the Church to your reception and the need for us to put up new flowers for Sunday Mass that evening. This only applies to Altar and Tabernacle arrangements.

Flowers are provided by the Guild October through Ash Wednesday and resumes Holy Week beginning with Palm Sunday. Flowers are provided until Ordinary Time begins. Flowers are not provided during the months of July-September and during the Advent season. However, flowers are provided on August 15 in honor of Mary's feast day. Outside florists may provide flowers at any time throughout the year. Additional floral arrangements, also provided by the guild, may include pew/aisle flowers and other free standing arrangements, candelabras and front side pew arrangements. The Guild will not contract to do bouquets, corsages, and boutonnieres. For flowers not provided by the guild, we recommend certified Texas Master Florist Dee McKenzie 512-382-1699. If the SJN Flower Guild is contracted to provide the flowers, a deposit of 1/2 the amount is required upon acceptance of our proposal and the balance is due two weeks prior to the wedding. The flower guild liaison is Dee McKenzie. You may contact her at 512-382-1699 or email her at [doloresmckenzie@austin.rr.com](mailto:doloresmckenzie@austin.rr.com) with any questions.