



Our Lady of the Assumption Catholic Church

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Policy for Events Serving Alcohol

The Archdiocese of Atlanta requires that an *Events Serving Alcohol Checklist* be submitted for all parish meetings/events where alcohol is served. In accordance with Archdiocesan Policy the Alcohol Policy at Our Lady of the Assumption Catholic Church is as follows:

The Archdiocesan *Events Serving Alcohol Checklist* must be completed for all **EVENTS** and **MINISTRY MEETINGS** where alcohol is served must be turned in to Anne Stephens (astephens@olachurch.org) or Benny Strozier (bstrozier@olachurch.org) 30 days prior to the event.

Ministry Leaders are responsible for ensuring that all items on this checklist are adhered to including, but not limited to, the following:

- Food must be served at events where alcohol is consumed;
- Alcohol cannot be sold, but may be provided; No “Cash Bars” are allowed;
- Alcohol is to be limited to beer and wine;
- A limit of one (1) drink per hour with a maximum of 2 drinks per event unless the event lasts over three (3) hours;
- Serving of Alcohol must end 1 hour prior to end of event;
- No BYOB (Bring Your Own Beverage) is allowed at any time. This must be included in advertising for events and posted at events – especially events where BYOB was previously allowed;
- Backup Transportation must be provided in case someone drinks too much; and
- A police officer must be present when alcohol is served. (\$40/hour with a 3 hour minimum. This cost is paid for by the ministry hosting the event.) Staffing of the police officer will be handled by OLA’s Communications Office.

Please see the *OLA Alcohol Policy for Events and Ministries* for detailed information on specific events and ministries.

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