

Checklist for preparing for your wedding:

- ☐ Meet with your parish priest at least 6 months before the anticipated date of the wedding to begin your paperwork and set the time and date for your wedding. This meeting is approximately an hour long and both the bride and groom must attend. You will receive a package from your parish priest at this time with important forms and information in it.
- ☐ Pay the wedding fee of \$200.00 to confirm and hold the date.
- ☐ Find and complete your documents:
 - ☐ Baptism Certificates (contact your parish of Baptism to obtain a recently issued certificate dated within 6 months. Either the bride or groom must be a baptized Catholic. If the other party is a baptized Christian they must also produce a baptismal certificate.).
 - ☐ Affidavit of Freedom to Marry Forms (usually completed and signed by a parent with their local parish priest).
 - ☐ Affidavit of Baptism Form (if applicable).
 - ☐ Affidavit of Non-Baptism Form (if applicable).
 - ☐ Declaration of Nullity (if applicable).
- ☐ Attend a diocesan approved Marriage Preparation Course (contact your parish office to help you get registered).
- ☐ You will receive a Booklet and a Selection Form in the package given to you at the first meeting with your parish priest. Complete the green Selection Form which includes your reading and music choices along with your witness information and return it to your parish office (wedding music in the church must be liturgical in nature).
- ☐ Arrange a second meeting with your parish priest to complete your paperwork after obtaining all of your required documents, completing your Marriage Preparation Course and completing your Selection Form.
- ☐ At the second meeting your parish priest will ensure all of your required paperwork is obtained and completed. At this second meeting you will be given a time and date for your wedding rehearsal.
- ☐ Obtain a Marriage License from the registries office (you will need to go there together no earlier than 90 days before your wedding with your ID) and bring it to the parish office at least 2 weeks prior to the wedding.
- ☐ Attend your wedding rehearsal.
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