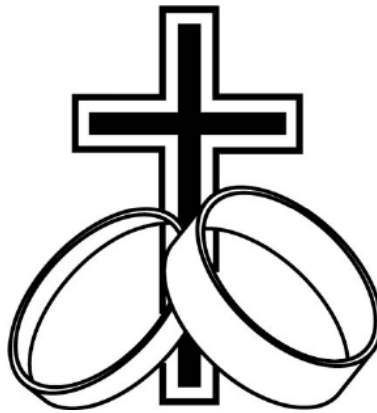


MARRIAGE GUIDELINES



St. Patrick Church
Columbus, Ohio

CELEBRATING YOUR MARRIAGE AT ST. PATRICK CHURCH

Congratulations on your engagement and your decision to make a lifelong commitment to each other in the sacred vocation of marriage. In celebrating marriage before God and your family and friends, you are publicly declaring an unselfish love for each other which is a sign of an open and full relationship. With God's grace, the new family created with the exchange of your vows will become your chosen path to holiness.

Remember, your wedding day is meant to be a manifestation of your faith in God and the consecration of your lives to each other through a grace filled, sacred ceremony. May the Lord bless you both.

The Marriage Guidelines are designed to help you plan your wedding as well as make you aware of what will be expected if you choose to be married at St. Patrick Church. Please read the following information carefully.

CHECK-LIST FOR WEDDING PREPARATION AT ST. PATRICK CHURCH

To be done ASAP:

- 1. Thoroughly read the *Marriage Guidelines* booklet
- 2. Complete and return *Wedding Request Form*
- 3. First meeting with presiding priest to complete the prenuptial investigation
- 4. Set wedding and rehearsal date with priest (*NB: it is not yet on the parish calendar*)
- 5. Schedule church wedding date (at parish office) and pay fees for inclusion on calendar
- 6. Reserve Parish Church for rehearsal through parish office
- 7. Contact parish music director for inclusion on music department calendar
- 8. Register for one of the following programs:
 - Diocesan Pre-Cana Program OR - Columbus Engaged Encounter
- 9. Register for an NFP course

Further Steps – FOCCUS or WITNESS TO LOVE program

- 10. Priest will assign a FOCCUS sponsor couple. Take the online Marriage FOCCUS inventory.
- 11. Discuss responses with each other after both have completed the inventory.
- 12. Meet with sponsor couple to discuss results of FOCCUS inventory.
- 13. Meet with sponsor couple and priest to discuss results of FOCCUS inventory.
- 14. Meet with presiding priest to discuss theology of marriage.
- 15. Meet with presiding priest to plan wedding ceremony

Necessary Documents and Information

- 1. Complete and return 2 each (4 total) *Freedom to Marry Affidavits* (unless instructed otherwise)
- 2. Obtain baptismal certificates with “notations” no earlier than 6 months before wedding
- 3. Present *Certificate of Completion* of marriage preparation course to presiding priest
- 4. Present *Certificate of Completion* of NFP course to presiding priest
- 5. Present *Permission of Proper Pastor* (required only of Catholic party registered in another parish)
- 6. Inform parish of new post-wedding address (needed to update registration and return cleaning deposit)
- 7. Obtain marriage license (*within 60 days of wedding*) and give to priest *by the rehearsal*
No wedding can be performed unless the marriage license is presented
- 8. Any necessary permissions, dispensations, or declarations for special cases (ask priest if applicable)
- 9. Pay musician fees no later than two weeks before wedding date

PURPOSE OF MARRIAGE PREPARATION

To help couples appreciate and understand the Christian vocation of marriage by instructing them in the Catholic vision of marriage as a sacrament and the divine realities that govern it.

To help couples identify aspects of their personal relationship that they may need to work on before they commit themselves to marriage.

To plan the marriage ceremony.

GENERAL POLICIES

Before scheduling a wedding, one or both of the engaged couple must be registered and active in the parish for a minimum of six months. Or, a parent of either the engaged couple must have been registered in Saint Patrick Parish for a minimum of six months.

Weddings must be scheduled a minimum of six months in advance of the planned wedding day.

Catholic priests not from Saint Patrick Church may preside at a wedding with the pastor's approval. A priest residing in a different state must be registered by the civil authorities of State of Ohio for witnessing marriages. This is an Ohio law and there can be no exceptions to this requirement.

The marriage ceremony may take place within a Mass only when both parties are Catholic.

As confession begins one hour before the Saturday evening vigil Mass, the wedding party must vacate the church by 4:00 p.m. Weddings are also permitted on days other than Saturday. Only one wedding is scheduled on any given day. Weddings may be scheduled between the hours of 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.

STEPS IN MARRIAGE PREPARATION PROGRAM – TO BE DONE ASAP

Step 1. Thoroughly read this Marriage Guidelines booklet.

Step 2. The Engaged Couple Must Submit a Completed Wedding Request Form

If registered and active six months or more, and having read and accepted the Marriage Guidelines, the Wedding Request Form may be completed and returned to the parish office.

Once the request is received and approved, the presiding priest will contact the couple to schedule the introductory interview. *This contact should be received within a two week period.*

Please note that wedding dates are not put on the parish calendar until after Step (3), below.

Step 3. First meeting with presiding priest to complete the prenuptial investigation.

The purpose of this interview/meeting is to acquaint the priest with the couple so that he can determine if they are free to marry. If one or both have had a previous marriage, no wedding plans may proceed until there is some ecclesiastical determination.

Following this introductory interview and any requisite follow-up, the couple's wedding date is confirmed with the presiding priest (who prepares them for marriage). Only after this interview may the couple proceed to Step #4.

STEPS IN MARRIAGE PREPARATION PROGRAM – *Continued*

Step 4. Set Wedding Date / Reserve Church for Ceremony and Rehearsal

Once the presiding priest approves the wedding date and time, the engaged couple must contact the parish office to have the wedding date entered on to the parish schedule and to make arrangements for payment of offerings, fees and cleaning deposit. The Church can not be reserved until the church offering and the cleaning deposit are given.

Step 5. Contact Parish Music Director

After the wedding date has been entered on the parish calendar, the couple must contact the Director of Music to have their wedding date entered on to the music department calendar and, if necessary, to reserve the musicians for the wedding. *Please note that all plans for music must be approved by our Music Director, whether using parish or outside musicians.*

Step 6. Register for one of the following marriage preparation programs

- Diocesan Pre-Cana Program one-day program (recommended)
- Columbus Engaged Encounter 3-day program (alternate)

Step 7. Register for one of the following fertility courses.

- The Creighton Model Fertility Method through St. Patrick Parish
- Diocesan Sponsored N.F.P. through the Diocesan Family Life Office

Step 8. Take the online Marriage FOCCUS inventory.

The FOCCUS (Facilitating Open Couple Communication, Understanding & Study) inventory is a tool for helping the engaged couple identify aspects of their personal relationship that may require better communication and understanding. Your preparing priest will assign you a FOCCUS couple.

Step 9. 1st Meeting with Sponsor Couple for FOCCUS results.

2nd Meeting with Sponsor Couple and priest for FOCCUS results.

Once your online FOCCUS inventory is complete, contact your Sponsor Couple who will set the date for this appointment in order to review the results of the FOCCUS Inventory with the engaged couple.

Step 10. Meet with the presiding priest to discuss theology of marriage

Review Theology of Marriage as understood and held within the Roman Catholic Church. In the case of the marriage of a Catholic to a non-Catholic, this discussion will include the promise by the Catholic party to raise children in the Catholic Faith. At the end of the interview, the *Declaration of Matrimonial Consent* is signed.

Step 11. Third meeting with presiding priest to plan wedding ceremony.

WEDDING MUSIC

Your wedding ceremony is a worship service to praise God who has called you together in marriage. Therefore the music for your wedding should be sacred, beautiful, and prayerful. Musical choices, including the prelude, should be free from any association with theater, movies, commercials, television shows, taverns and other non-sacred contexts. Such secular music is more effectively used at the reception where it can be appreciated in the proper venue. These guidelines will help you choose appropriate music and apply to **all** weddings celebrated at St. Patrick Church.

It is strongly recommended that you use St. Patrick's organist, cantors and instrumentalists. The Director of Music has access to a variety of talented, qualified instrumentalists, and singers who are familiar with our guidelines and ready to provide beautiful and appropriate music for your ceremony. To engage any of these musicians, please contact Kathleen Tully.

Outside musicians, vocalists and cantors must be skilled musicians who are **(a)** familiar with Roman Catholic Wedding Liturgy, and **(b)** willing to follow the guidelines of St. Patrick Church.

Any outside musician, vocalist or cantor must be pre-approved by our Director of Music before being hired. Please do not engage musicians without first speaking with the music director

Please note that use of outside musicians may result in additional fees as determined by the Director of Music.

If you plan to print booklets containing the music or texts for your service, you must obtain copyright clearance for all copyrighted materials. Please allow at least eight weeks for the responses to these requests. The Director of Music can help you obtain these permissions.

As soon as you secure a wedding date and it is entered on to the parish calendar, please contact the Director of Music, Kathleen Tully, in order to have your wedding placed on the music department's calendar, as well as to hire and reserve musicians for your ceremony.

There is no sound system in the choir loft, and portable sound systems are not permitted. Professional cantors and instrumentalists will have no difficulty projecting throughout the church.

Musician Fees are paid directly to the Director of Music - no later than two weeks in advance of wedding date.

Disregard of the Wedding Music Guidelines may result in the forfeiture of your deposit.

MUSIC AT THE WEDDING CEREMONY

Prelude	A variety of instrumental/vocal music may be used before the ceremony.
Processional	Music begins when guests are seated and the wedding party is lined up: one piece may be enough, especially if the bridal party is small.
Gloria	Sung prayer at the beginning of Mass. <i>[Mass Only]</i>
Responsorial Psalm	This is sung after the First Reading. The text must be the approved version, not a paraphrase.
Gospel Acclamation	This is sung before the reading of the Gospel.

The following selections are only used at Masses.

Offertory	Since there is no offertory collection, a brief music selection is recommended. <i>[Mass Only]</i>
Eucharistic Acclamation	The Holy, Holy, Holy; Memorial Acclamation; Great Amen; and Lamb of God are led by a cantor. The Music Director can help you choose musical settings to these selections that will be familiar to many at your wedding. <i>[Mass Only]</i>
Communion	As your guests receive Communion, there are many pieces of music from which to choose that are conducive to Eucharistic meditation. <i>[Mass Only]</i>
The Lord's Prayer	The Our Father may be spoken or sung by the priest and congregation. Solo versions of "The Lord's Prayer" may not be used.
Dedication to Mary	Either vocal or instrumental music may accompany the presentation of flowers to the Altar of the Blessed Mother (optional).
Recessional	Joyous music may accompany you and your guests as you exit the church.

Please consult the Director of Music for a list of approved music.

Church Offerings, Fees and Deposits

St. Patrick Church uses the word “offering” when referring to money given to the church for the usage of the church proper. This offering is used for building maintenance, utilities, and staffing.

Church Offering	\$600
Wedding Deposit*	\$100
Total	\$700 to be paid when date is entered on schedule.

Wedding Preparation Only \$250 for those being married elsewhere

Altar Boy Offering \$20 each (cash, please)
Two altar boys required for a Wedding Mass and the fee is to be given to priest at the rehearsal.

- One 2nd floor classroom is included and available for use by the bride and bridal party to dress and/or gather at no additional charge. Please check in at the parish office before proceeding to bridal room.
- Rooms for catered pre-wedding meals are rented as per customary procedure. Please contact the parish office, well in advance of your date, to discuss the rental of additional rooms.
- *Wedding Deposit is nonrefundable if wedding is cancelled.

Typical Fees for Wedding Musicians

Fees are paid directly to the Director of Music no later than two weeks in advance of wedding unless otherwise directed.

Organ	\$175-250
Vocalists (male and female)	\$125-175
Trumpet, Trombone, Oboe, Flute, Violin, etc.	\$150-200 each
Harp	\$175-200
Bagpipe (Pipes may not be played inside of the church.)	<i>fees vary</i>
Groups of Instrumentalists <i>String trio, Brass Quintet, Quartets, Small Choirs</i>	\$300 – up <i>Depending on number of players</i>

PLEASE NOTE: Additional fees apply if extra rehearsals are necessary.

THE WEDDING REHEARSAL

The Wedding Rehearsal is conducted under the supervision of the presiding priest.

Date and Time: The rehearsal date and time must be confirmed and scheduled with secretary for inclusion on the parish calendar.

Don't be Late: Rehearsals begin on time even if members of the wedding party are late. They will be approximately one hour. To accommodate the habitual latecomers, please inform your wedding party that the rehearsal time is 15 minutes before the actual time so that they will be present at the beginning.

Be Prepared: Match up your attendants and groomsmen before the rehearsal.

Confessions: Please inform the priest ahead of time if you wish confessions to be heard post-rehearsal.

Marriage License: Turn in the marriage license if not already done so. No wedding can be performed unless the marriage license is presented.

Questions: This is the time to ask any last minute questions regarding the wedding day.

WEDDING DAY

Bride's Dressing Room

One 2nd floor classroom may be used by the bride for dressing and as a place for the bridesmaids to gather. The room must be left as you found it. The wedding party is permitted to bring in bottled water and light snacks if needed prior to the wedding. No other food or drinks are permissible. Please be aware of the required one hour fast before the reception of Holy Communion. Please inform the parish office of the time you anticipate arriving and check in at the parish office before proceeding to bridal room

IMPORTANT: The Bride's Room will be **locked** when the ceremony begins and staff will not be available to unlock it after the ceremony. **Do not leave any personal items in the bridal room during the wedding ceremony! All items brought up to the bride's room must be removed from the room and stowed in cars before the ceremony begins. You will not have access to the room once the wedding begins and there will be no access afterward.**

Note: For your safety and security, we urge that all valuables be locked in your cars and out of sight, including loose change, clothing, electronics, and bags. Please remember that this is a downtown parish and Saint Patrick Church cannot be held responsible for any valuables left unattended either in the parish facilities or in cars.

Groom's Gathering Space

There are no rooms available for the groom and groomsmen to dress, so have the men arrive fully attired. The Groom and groomsmen may gather in Aquinas Hall prior to the ceremony.

Aquinas Hall must be left as you found it. The wedding party is permitted to bring in bottled water and light snacks if needed prior to the wedding. No other food or drinks are permissible. Please be aware of the required one hour fast before the reception of Holy Communion.

For your safety and security, we urge that all valuables be locked in your cars and out of sight, including loose change, clothing, electronics, and bags. Please remember that this is a downtown parish and Saint Patrick Church cannot be held responsible for any valuables left unattended either in the parish facilities or in cars.

REMINDER: *All wedding debris/trash must be removed from the parish center areas, classroom and church and placed in the dumpster located in the east parking lot in order to receive a refund of your deposit.*

WEDDING DAY *continued*

Aisle Runner

The attractive hardwood floor of St. Patrick Church is well maintained and kept clean. Because aisle runners are slippery and often wrinkle or tear, they are not permitted.

Alcohol, Smoking and Vaping

No unlicensed alcohol is permitted on the Church property. Smoking and Vaping are not permitted anywhere inside the building complex, including the fountain courtyard. If necessary, please inform your wedding party. *Please inform your wedding party that violations of the alcohol and smoking rule will result in the loss of your deposit.*

Candles

The lighting of a unity candle is not part of the Catholic Rite of Marriage, and is therefore not included in the wedding ceremony at St. Patrick Church. (If someone is a strong proponent of the unity candle, consider it an option for your reception.) Candelabra are not permitted.

Flowers.

Up to two bouquets (no more) may be arranged – one on either side – at the High Altar. Additionally, flowers may be placed on our two side altars dedicated to the Blessed Mother and to St. Joseph. Flowers put on any altar for the wedding are to be left where placed and not removed following the ceremony.

For reasons of safety and aesthetics, dropping flowers or flower petals, by flower girls, in the church aisle is not allowed.

If the couple chooses to present flowers at the Blessed Mother's altar, notify us beforehand so that a vase can be made ready.

The parish office opens at 9 a.m. on Saturdays to receive deliveries.

Groom And Groomsmen

Groomsmen should be in the back of church to seat guests 45 minutes prior to the start of the ceremony.

The Groom and the Best Man are required to be in the sacristy 30 minutes prior to the start of the ceremony.

Guest Arrival

Public areas of the parish center will be available for the wedding party and guests prior to the start of the ceremony.

Parking

Parking is permitted in our parish parking lot and on the nearby streets, only. We do not have permission to use the college parking lots that are nearby the church. Please inform your guests. Please note that the metered parking on Naghten, Mt. Vernon, and Grant Avenues is enforced by the City of Columbus.

Pew Decorations / Details

Bows or decorations must be tied to the pews. Tape, tacks, etc. are not permitted. Violations of this protocol will result in the loss of the cleaning deposit.

WEDDING DAY *continued*

Receiving Line / Rice / Balloons

The receiving line is appropriately formed at the place of reception; therefore, no receiving line is formed in the church.

For the protection of both the facility and the wedding guests, no throwing of rice, flower petals, confetti, or birdseed is permitted anywhere on church property, inside or out.

Balloons are not permitted inside the church or the vestibule.

Seating Parents and Wedding Party

As a courtesy to those involved, ceremonies must start on time. If your wedding starts late, post wedding photography may be forfeited.

Wedding parties are seated in the first pew, with immediate family seated behind them.

Designate two groomsmen in your wedding party to escort the mothers (and grandmothers, if you choose) down the aisle.

Mothers will be escorted down the aisle five minutes before ceremony begins.

Post Wedding Trash

The bridal couple is responsible for the removal of all wedding trash and debris. Failure to do so will result in the loss of your deposit. (see box below)

IMPORTANT NOTE TO ENGAGED COUPLE ABOUT THE CLEANING DEPOSIT REFUND

It is the responsibility of the bride and groom (or their designee) to remove all wedding-related trash and debris from all areas of the parish facility and church.

Trash must be taken to the dumpster in the East parking lot before the wedding begins.

St. Patrick's does not employ a weekend janitor and rooms and church must be clean and presentable for Masses and Religious Education classes. Failure to do so will result in the loss of the cleaning deposit.

After the wedding, the deposit will be refunded in full if the church, halls, dressing rooms, etc. have been left clean and ready for the next function; the wedding trash has been hauled to the dumpster in the east parking lot; and if the alcohol & smoking policy and other regulations have been observed.

Please be sure to provide your post wedding address to the parish secretary in order to facilitate the return of the deposit and Marriage Certificate. Failure to do so will delay return of deposit.

Guidelines for Photographers and Videographers

Your wedding photographer /videographer must see the priest conducting the Wedding Ceremony before the ceremony takes place to review Church policy and procedures concerning the taking of photographs and the use of video equipment. In keeping with the solemnity of the ceremony and occasion, the following policies are to be observed.

- Flash pictures may not be taken during the service. However, flash pictures are permitted during the procession and recessional.
- Pictures may be taken before or after the ceremony. The photographer and the wedding party must be out of the Church by 4 p.m. when confessions begin. Please note, if your wedding starts late, you forfeit pictures in the church afterward.
- Video cameras are not permitted in the sanctuary. One stationary video camera is permitted in either of the side aisles, in a position near one of the confessionals.
- Neither the bride nor the groom may wear a microphone during the ceremony. Only Church-issued microphones will be permitted anywhere in the sanctuary.
- Video cameras and official photographers are permitted in the choir area with permission of the Music Director. Tripods must be placed in a position approved by the organist so as not to interfere with the musicians.
- Photographers and videographers are permitted to walk discreetly around as long as the ceremony is not interrupted or disrupted. They are not allowed to enter into the sanctuary. No one is permitted in the sanctuary (the area beyond the communion rail).
- A separate room for pre-wedding photographs may be reserved following the usual procedure. Please contact the parish office.

By request, St. Patrick's offers the opportunity for you to simulcast your wedding Mass and ceremony for those who have family and friends who are unable to attend. The wedding Mass will be available for viewing on the parish website and/or Facebook. If you would like to avail yourself of this wedding simulcast, please contact the parish office no later than two weeks in advance of your wedding. *Please note that this simulcast is of the sanctuary and altar only and does not include the procession or the guests.*

Additional Guidelines For Couples Who Reside Outside the Parish but have a Parent Registered at St. Patrick

When neither the bride nor the groom is a member of the parish, is residing out of town and will receive the marriage preparation from their parish priest, the following conditions are prerequisite to their being married at Saint Patrick Church.

- At least one parent of either the bride or the groom must be registered in Saint Patrick Parish.
- The bride and the groom must follow all guidelines for marriage at St. Patrick Church.
- The bride and groom must complete the Wedding Request form (Page 18) and submit it to St. Patrick parish office.
- The bride or groom – or both – must be registered in a Catholic parish. A *Permission of Proper Pastor* letter must be requested from their parish pastor to be sent to St. Patrick’s pastor. (The *Permission of Proper Pastor* letter testifies that the engaged person is a registered member of his parish, is a practicing Catholic, and thus has the pastor’s approval for the wedding.) No wedding may take place without the proper approvals.
- The “Proper Pastor” in their parish church, or his delegate, will prepare the couple for their wedding.
- It is the responsibility of the couple to provide the outside priest who is preparing them for marriage a copy of St. Patrick’s Marriage Guidelines in order that the requirements are fulfilled as per St. Patrick’s directives.
- After the *Permission of Proper Pastor* letter has been received at St. Patrick, the bride and groom will have a meeting with the pastor of St. Patrick, and with his permission to marry at St. Patrick, may contact the parish office to set the date for their wedding in accordance with parish guidelines.
- When the preparations are completed, the outside preparing priest must send the official papers to the pastor of St. Patrick’s Church where they will be reviewed prior to the ceremony and filed afterward.

Cohabiting and/or Sexually Active Couples

Marriage is a sacrament of Jesus Christ and a sacred vocation given to us by God. It is a means to holiness in the life of the spouses. Those married in the Church receive a special sacramental grace that helps them live a life of love and fidelity. The Church wants to help engaged couples prepare well for marriage so that their union will be lasting and fulfilling

Unfortunately, many couples who ask to be married in the Church come confused, poorly educated in the teaching of the Church, and are already living together. Even though cohabitation is widely accepted in our society, it is clearly contrary to the teaching of the Word of God. Sacred Scripture and the Church teaches that cohabitation and sexual union between the unmarried is sinful (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, nos. 2350-2400), and such behavior undermines the very holiness of life one seeks in the sacrament of marriage. Cohabitation is scandalous and detracts from the sacredness of marriage.

The Church urges all engaged couples who are living together to separate and those engaging in sexual relations to stop. To live such false lives undermines the most fundamental aspects of married life—integrity, commitment, and self-communication. Those who are Catholic should seek to be reconciled with God by receiving the Sacrament of Confession. In this sacrament, God’s forgiveness and strength are always available to us.

The love sought in the sacrament of marriage requires a trust established in chastity and self control. It is a time in which the couple learns intimacy apart from sexual expression. Cohabitation and sexual activity is a bad way to prepare for marriage, as it leads to a lack of real commitment to each other. Couples living together before marriage have a higher divorce and incidence of domestic violence.

The integrity of Christ’s sacrament is to be safeguarded both for the Church and for every couple seeking the sacrament. Consequently, it is more fitting for couples to celebrate the sacramental marriage in a simpler manner if they are sexually active and/or living together.

Archbishop Michael J. Sheehan

If this applies, please speak with the preparing priest about your particular situation.

CONTACTS

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Fr. Raymund Snyder, O.P., Parochial Vicar	614-240-5916 / frsnyder@stpatrickcolumbus.org
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Online FOCCUS Inventory
www.focusinc.com

Pre-Cana Marriage Preparation
Contact: Diocesan Family Life Office 614-241-2560 / www.familylife.colsdioc.org

Required instruction on Natural Family Planning:

A) Recommended Parish sponsored program

The Creighton Model Fertility Center

Practitioner Contact: Holly Deliduka 614.209.7409

Lisa Ely 614.309.4347

Plan 3-6 months are recommended for training prior to wedding date

Fees for materials and (4) required training sessions and for add'l recommended sessions

Fees are negotiable based on financial need. Please feel free to discuss this with your NaPro practitioner.

B) Diocesan sponsored NFP

Contact: Diocesan Family Life Office 614-241-2560 / www.familylife.colsdioc.org

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Franklin County Marriage License Bureau

614-525-3108

373 S. High St. – 23rd floor

Cols., Ohio 43215

8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday-Friday

EMAIL: marriage@franklingcountyohio.gov

Website: <http://probate.franklincountyohio.gov/departments/Marriage.cfm>

WEDDING REQUEST FORM /// **TODAY'S DATE:** _____

Bride's Information – PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY	
Full Given Name:	
Address:	
Email:	Cell Phone:
Denomination:	Current Parish:

Groom's Information – PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY	
Full Given Name:	
Address:	
Email:	Cell Phone:
Denomination:	Current Parish:

Reason for Celebrating Marriage at St. Patrick Parish	
<input type="checkbox"/> Bride and/or Groom are registered members of St. Patrick. <p style="text-align: right;"><i>DATE OF REGISTRATION:</i> _____</p>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Bride's parent(s) are registered parishioners at St. Patrick's	
<input type="checkbox"/> Groom's parent(s) are registered parishioners at St. Patrick's	

Wedding Date / Celebrant Preference, if any	
First Choice:	Time: _____ (between 10 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.)
Second Choice:	Time: _____ (between 10 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.)
Preferred Priest (if applicable): _____	

Return the completed form to the parish office. A parish priest will contact you to set up an appointment to discuss your request. (Please note that the wedding date and time are not reserved until after this meeting payment of all applicable fees are received in the parish office.)

I HAVE READ AND AGREE TO ABIDE BY ST. PATRICK'S MARRIAGE GUIDELINES:

BRIDE: _____ **Date:** _____

GROOM: _____ **Date:** _____

BAPTISMAL CERTIFICATE REQUEST FORM *With Notations*

GROOM – Please request your certificate from Church of Baptism

Today's Date: _____

Name of Church of Baptism: _____

Address _____

Dear Rev. Pastor,

I am planning to be married in at St. Patrick Catholic Church in Columbus, Ohio on (date)

_____.

I am requesting a baptismal certificate for the marriage investigation. Please include any notations.

Kindly mail the baptismal certificate to the presiding priest:

Rev. _____

St. Patrick Catholic Church

280 N. Grant Ave., Columbus, OH 43215

Thank you,

(Signed) _____

BAPTISMAL RECORD INFORMATION:

(Full birth name) _____

Date of Birth: _____ City/State of Birth: _____

Name of Father: _____

Name of Mother (include mother's maiden name): _____

Date of Baptism (if known): _____

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Name of Father: _____

Name of Mother (include mother's maiden name): _____

Date of Baptism (if known): _____