

St. Patrick's Church
Marriage Preparation
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Congratulations on your Engagement

We are glad to assist you as you prepare for your wedding. However, to make the process go smoothly for us and for you please read carefully and follow the instructions provided; thank you. Thus, please return the information requested below as soon as possible: If you have not already done so, you may call the church to make sure the date you are requesting is available before sending out this form. While no date is guaranteed until the pastor meets with the couple, the date will be reserved until that time.

1. A signed letter from a close relative of **BOTH** the bride **AND** groom, preferably a parent, stating: "To the best of my knowledge my son/daughter (or whatever the relationship is) NAME has never been married before." A copy may be given initially but eventually the original with signature must be turned in.
2. A \$350 holding fee made out to: St. Patrick's Church. All of this is refundable up to the time that you initially meet with the priest or deacon who will prepare you. If at that meeting you decide not to get married at St. Patrick's your check will be returned to you then and there. If you decide to continue with St. Patrick's and after the meeting you cancel the wedding \$250 will be refunded.

The above must be sent to St. Patrick's Church along with the initial questionnaire enclosed. When these items have been received the date requested will be reserved in the parish calendar and you will receive a phone call to set up an appointment to meet. If we do not receive the Initial Questionnaire within one month of reserving the date for the wedding, the date requested will be cleared off the parish calendar. All preparations must be done here, regardless of the distance that you live. Pre-Cana may be done in another diocese if desired. No more than one wedding will be scheduled on any given day.

The \$350 fee is for the use of the Church and appropriate stipends. This must be given in advance as stated above. Nothing extra is required for the priest of St. Patrick's who prepares you for the wedding. You may invite a guest priest/deacon to perform the wedding but he must have the approval of the pastor. What you give a guest priest/deacon is between you and him however there is no difference in the stipend requested by St. Patrick's Church.

All of the above must be done prior to 6 months before the wedding date. NO WEDDINGS WILL BE SCHEDULED IF THERE IS NOT AT LEAST 6 MONTHS PRIOR TO THE WEDDING. NO EXCEPTIONS!!!

(Parishioner Form)

INITIAL QUESTIONNAIRE

Groom's Name _____

Address _____

Phone number (Home, Work and/or Cell) _____

Email: _____

Date of Birth _____ Religion _____

Have you ever been married before? _____

(If yes you must include a copy of the decree of civil divorce and either a Catholic Church decree of nullity or annulment for each marriage, if more than one. If you do not have an annulment or a decree of nullity, call for further instructions.)

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Bride's Name _____

Address _____

Phone number (Home, Work and/or Cell) _____

Email: _____

Date of Birth _____ Religion _____

Have you ever been married before? _____

(If yes you must include a copy of the decree of civil divorce and either a Catholic Church decree of nullity or annulment for each marriage, if more than one. If you do not have an annulment or a decree of nullity, call for further instructions.)

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Do you want a Wedding Mass or a Wedding Ceremony? _____

(A wedding Mass may be scheduled from 10:30 until 2:30 p.m. on Saturday and a wedding ceremony may be scheduled from 10:30 until 3:00 p.m. on Saturday. Any wedding on a day other than Saturday must first be discussed with the pastor.)

Wedding Date _____ Preferred Time _____

Please return via mail, email or fax as indicated on the top of the instruction sheet.