

Form M107

Sacred Heart Parish Wedding Ceremonial Planner



Sacred Heart Catholic Church

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Wedding Date: _____ Pre-wedding: _____ Wedding: _____ End Time: _____

Rehearsal Date: _____ Beginning Time: _____ End Time: _____

Groom		Bride
	Full Name	
	Cell Number	

Liturgy (Roman Catholic Rite Only): _____ Mass (Two Catholics) _____ Ceremony (Mixed Marriage) _____ Convalidation

Officiant(s) _____

Sacred Heart Wedding Manager will review with the couple & the officiant(s) the following policies:

____ Review Officiants Agreement M102: See *Planning Your Catholic Wedding at Sacred Heart Church*, pages 27 & 28.

____ Review Florist Agreement M104: See *Planning Your Catholic Wedding at Sacred Heart Church*, pages 31 & 32.

- Will the Church's silk flower arrangements be used? _____ Yes _____ No
- Person who will pin flowers on groom and groomsmen: _____
- Who will remove all decorations and pew bows? _____

____ Review Photographer Agreement M105: See *Planning Your Catholic Wedding at Sacred Heart Church*, pages 33 & 34.

____ Review Videographer Agreement M106: See *Planning Your Catholic Wedding at Sacred Heart Church*, pages 35 & 36.

____ Review Decorum Policy: See *Planning Your Catholic Wedding at Sacred Heart Church*, page 20.

____ Review Punctuality Policy: See *Planning Your Catholic Wedding at Sacred Heart Church*, page 21.

- **Pre-Wedding** - Time for the florist, photographer and/or videographer to set up. Time for the wedding party to arrive.
Groom & Groomsmen arrive 1 hr. before the wedding.
Bride & Bridesmaids arrive 45 mins. before the wedding.
- **Wedding** - Allotted time is 1 hour. The processional begins promptly at the scheduled start time. Delayed starts may require shortening musical selections or elements of the rite, and will reduce post-ceremony photo time.
- **Post Wedding** - Time for inside & outside photographs. Time for the florist, photographer and videographer to take down.

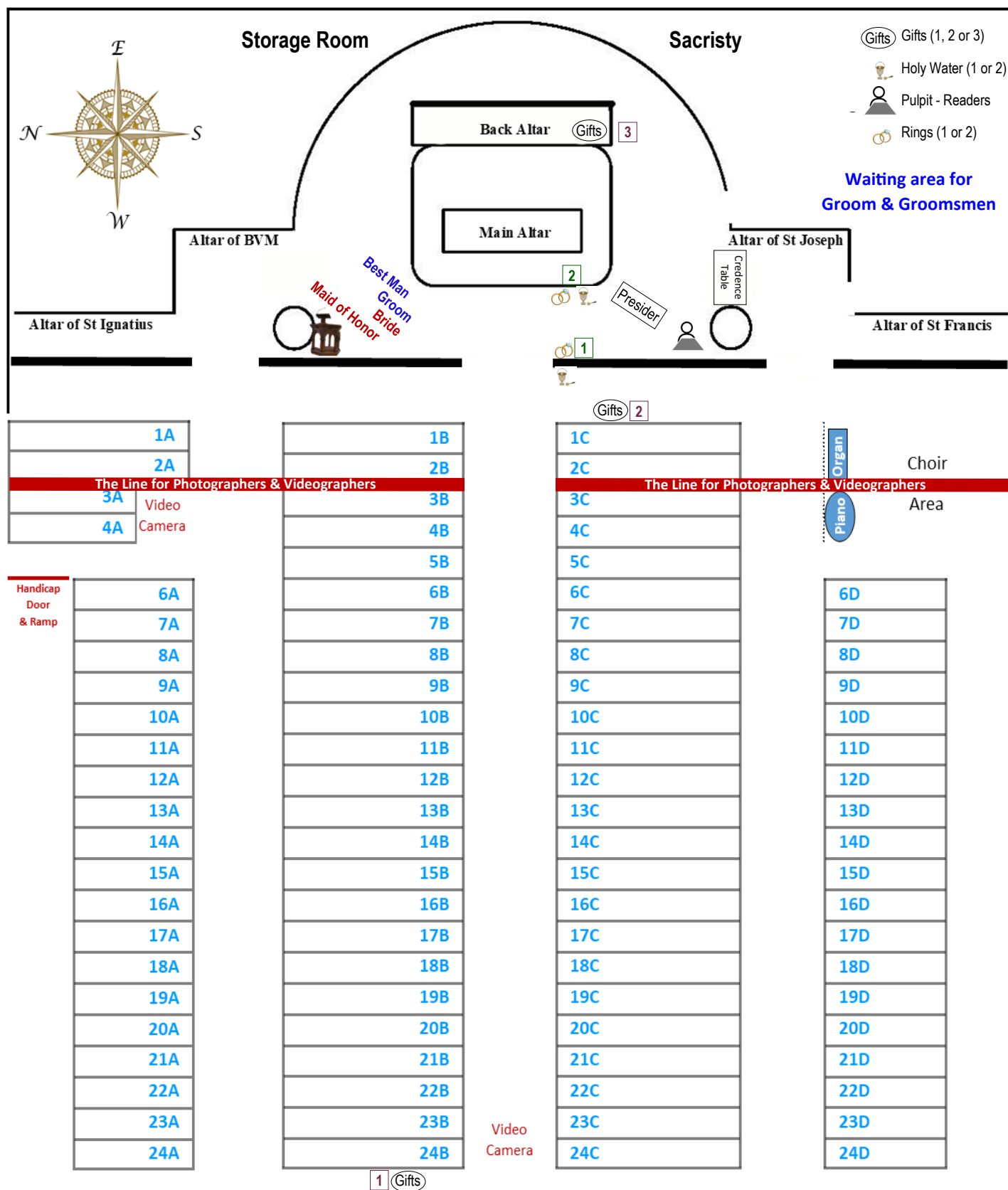
____ Marriage License _____ Number of Guest Expected _____

How can I personalize my wedding?

In coming to the Catholic Church for your wedding you have recognized that the liturgical celebration of marriage is not something that belongs simply to any one person, couple or family. It is primarily the action of the whole Church. It is a solemn and holy occasion. The Church has its own Rituals that allow the faith of both bride and groom to be expressed while ensuring that those gathered will be drawn towards the Lord. A Catholic wedding is not about you as much as it is about what God is doing through you and for you in the midst of a community of faith.

Consequently, while you are free to make decisions regarding various options in the Rite (*e.g., Scripture passages, blessings, etc.*), we will also very carefully adhere to all the Church's liturgical norms, customs, and teachings in every respect. In addition, since there are practical limitations to what our resources of space, time, and personnel can accommodate, we ask that you respect the specific policies that apply at Sacred Heart Church.

Diagram of Sacred Heart Church



The bride enters precisely on the hour/half-hour. Streamline the procession to preserve photo time - see page 21 of the guidelines for Punctuality & Schedule limits

**To Bathrooms
& Bride's Room**

Sacred Heart Church Order of Procession

1. Seating of (Great) Grandparents: ____ Yes ____ No

Groom's Paternal:			Pew # ____
Groom's Maternal:			Pew # ____
Bride's Paternal:			Pew # ____
Bride's Maternal:			Pew # ____

2. Seating of Parents/ Step-parents: ____ Yes ____ No

Groom's Parents:	____ seated together	____ seated separately	Choose	____ 3A or ____ 3B	
					Pew # ____
					Pew # ____
Bride's Parents:	____ seated together	____ seated separately	Choose	____ 6A or ____ 6B	
					Pew # ____
					Pew # ____

3. The Groom

- ____ A. *The groom processes down aisle with his parents before the rest of the wedding party.*
- ____ B. *The groom processes down the aisle alone*
- ____ C. *The groom does not process and simply stands in front of first pew before the entrance procession begins*

Groom and Escort(s) _____

4. Wedding Party (*See Planning Your Catholic Wedding at Sacred Heart Church, page 20.*)

- ____ A. *Bridesmaids and maid/matron of honor process down aisle individually, with groomsmen and best man waiting in front of the first pew.*
- ____ B. *All attendants, including maid/matron of honor and best man, process down aisle as couples*
- ____ C. *Same as above, except that the maid/matron of honor processes by herself and the best man waits at the front of the church to escort her into the sanctuary*

Groomsman 1 / Bridesmaid 1			Pew # ____
Groomsman 2 / Bridesmaid 2			Pew # ____
Groomsman 3 / Bridesmaid 3			Pew # ____
Groomsman 4 / Bridesmaid 4			Pew # ____
Groomsman 5 / Bridesmaid 5			Pew # ____
Groomsman 6 / Bridesmaid 6			Pew # ____
Best Man 1 / Maid of Honor 1			Pew # ____
Best Man 2 / Maid of Honor 2			Pew # ____

5. The Flower Girl and Ring Bearer

- ____ A. *The flower girl and ring bearer enter the church after the wedding party and immediately before the bride. A responsible adult (a parent or relative) should be designated to assist each child, and determine their willingness to walk in the procession when the time comes.*

Ring Bearer(s)			Pew # ____
Flower Girl(s)			Pew # ____

6. The Bride (*See Planning Your Catholic Wedding at Sacred Heart Church, page 20.*)

- ____ A. *The bride processes down aisle with both parents.*
- ____ B. *The bride processes down aisle with one parent or designate.*
- ____ C. *The bride processes down alone*
- (Note: If parents are not included in the procession of the bride and groom, then they process immediately prior to the wedding party, along with any other family members, such as grandparents.)

Bride and Escort(s) _____

Together For Life Wedding Ceremony Outline

PRELUDE  _____ Music: Prelude _____

ENTRANCE PROCESSION  _____ Music: Processional 1 _____

 _____ Music: Processional 2 _____

INTRODUCTORY RITES

Reception of the Couple

*Gloria  _____ Music - Gloria _____

Opening Prayer A _____

LITURGY OF THE WORD

1st Reading _____ B _____ Proclaimed by _____

Responsorial Psalm  _____ Music: Psalm _____

2nd Reading _____ D _____ Proclaimed by _____

Gospel Acclamation E _____

Gospel _____ F _____ Proclaimed by _____

Homily _____ Proclaimed by _____

CELEBRATION OF RITE MARRIAGE

Address to the Couple G _____

Questions before the Consent

Exchange of Consent 1. Couples memorize their vows _____

Invitation 2. Repeat after Priest _____

Exchange of Consent H _____ 3. Couple or say "I do" _____

Reception of the Consent Acclamation: "Thanks be to God"

Explanatory Rites

Blessing of the Arras (Optional) Yes _____ No _____ Assisted by _____

Blessing of Rings I _____

Exchange of Rings

[Song of Praise] ♥ Music: Brief instrumental suggested

General Intercessions J _____ Read by _____

*LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

*Preparation of the Gifts  _____ *Music: Preparation _____

*Prayer over the Gifts *K _____ *Gifts Bread _____

*Preface *L _____ Wine _____

*Eucharistic Prayer Location of Gifts _____

*COMMUNION RITE

The Lord's Prayer

Blessing of the Lazo/Veil (Optional) Yes _____ No _____ Assisted by _____

Nuptial Blessing M _____

*Sign of Peace ♥

*Breaking of the Bread

*Communion  _____ *Music: Communion _____

*Prayer after Communion *N _____

CONCLUDING RITE

Greeting Will Receive Communion

Solemn Blessing O _____ Bride Yes _____ No _____ Groom Yes _____ No _____

Dismissal ♥ Witness Yes _____ No _____ Witness Yes _____ No _____

Recessional  _____ Music: Recessional _____

Letters - (Together for Life) &  - Parish Suggestions

♥ Bride and Groom may Kiss

* For the celebration of a wedding outside of Mass, these parts are omitted