

MARRIAGE INFORMATION SHEET

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

St. Joseph Catholic Church. Orlando FL, 32828

DATE: _____

MEMBER#: _____

We prefer 1 Year Preparation. Please allow six months minimum to complete the marriage or convalidation preparation process.

BRIDE: _____ AGE: _____ RELIGION: _____

ADDRESS _____ CITY/STATE: _____

PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

CHURCH NOW ATTENDING: _____

Have you completed the sacrament of BAPTISM: Yes ☐ No ☐ 1ST COMMUNION: Yes ☐ No ☐ CONFIRMATION: Yes ☐ No ☐

GROOM: _____ AGE: _____ RELIGION: _____

ADDRESS _____ CITY/STATE: _____

PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

CHURCH NOW ATTENDING: _____

Have you completed the sacrament of BAPTISM: Yes ☐ No ☐ 1ST COMMUNION: Yes ☐ No ☐ CONFIRMATION: Yes ☐ No ☐

WILL YOU BE ATTENDING THIS PARISH AFTER THE WEDDING? _____

HOW LONG HAVE YOU KNOWN EACH OTHER? _____

IF CONVALIDATION, HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN MARRIED? _____

DATE AND PLACE OF CIVIL MARRIAGE: _____

HAVE EITHER OF YOU BEEN MARRIED BEFORE?

	TO WHOM	RELIGION	MARRIED BY: Minister? / Civil Official?
BRIDE: 1.	_____	_____	_____
2.	_____	_____	_____
3.	_____	_____	_____

	TO WHOM	RELIGION	MARRIED BY: Minister? / Civil Official?
GROOM: 1.	_____	_____	_____
2.	_____	_____	_____
3.	_____	_____	_____

CHURCH TO BE MARRIED AT: _____ CITY: _____ TENTATIVE DATE: _____

St. Joseph Catholic Church

ORLANDO, FLORIDA USA

WEDDING RULES FOR BRIDE & GROOM

Dear Bride & Groom,

Thank you for choosing St. Joseph Catholic Church for your marriage formation and or wedding. We wish you the strength and the joy of love for a full, rich life together. In order to help ensure a happy and lasting commitment, Church law requires a period of preparation and inquiry for the all-important step you are to take. As an aid to this, and in order to help avoid future disappointment, we ask that you accept and sign the following rules, which are based on Diocesan policy:

- a. Minimum Six-Month Marriage Formation Period to ensure that the engaged couple have adequate time to prepare in a serious way, this contact must be made at least six months in advance, nine months to one year is ideal. This preparation time is not just a "waiting period" for the ceremony, but rather an important, teachable moment in preparation for the lifetime journey on which the couple is about to embark.
- b. You may not set a date for your wedding, even tentatively, until you have been given permission by the priest.
- c. At your first meeting with the priest he will ask you your preferred wedding date. That date, if available, will be penciled in the parish calendar. However, all other formation requirements must be completed for the wedding to take place.
- d. You are not permitted to have wedding invitations printed or sent out, nor to reserve a place for the wedding reception until you have been given permission by the priest.
- e. If any requirements are lacking or if the priest has serious concerns, the priest has the right to ask:
 - a. That you postpone your wedding date
 - b. That you meet with a counselor for an evaluation and/or counseling

We, the undersigned, have been made aware of the above rules based on Diocesan policy, and we agree to honor them.

GROOM _____ Date: _____

BRIDE _____ Date: _____



PARISH ID# _____

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PLEASE PRINT ALL INFORMATION

PARISH REGISTRATION FORM

FAMILY LAST NAME: _____ WOULD YOU LIKE OFFERTORY ENVELOPES ☐ YES ☐ NO DATE: _____

ADDRESS: _____ APT# _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP CODE: _____

MEMBER INFORMATION: TITLE: ☐ MR & MRS ☐ MR

☐ MRS ☐ MS ☐ MISS OTHER: _____

HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD ☐ MALE ☐ FEMALE MAIDEN NAME: _____

SPOUSE ☐ MALE ☐ FEMALE MAIDEN NAME: _____

FULL NAME: _____

FULL NAME: _____

DATE OF BIRTH: _____ RELIGION: _____

DATE OF BIRTH: _____ RELIGION: _____

LANGUAGE(S): _____ HOME COUNTRY: _____

LANGUAGE(S): _____ HOME COUNTRY: _____

CELL PHONE: _____ OCCUPATION: _____

CELL PHONE: _____ OCCUPATION: _____

EMAIL: _____

EMAIL: _____

SACRAMENT DATES:

SACRAMENT DATES:

☐ BAPTIZED _____ ☐ 1st COMMUNION _____

☐ BAPTIZED _____ ☐ 1st COMMUNION _____

☐ CONFIRMATION _____ MARRIAGE DATE: _____

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MARITAL STATUS: ☐ SINGLE ☐ MARRIED IN CATHOLIC CHURCH ☐ CIVIL MARRIAGE ➡ (INTERESTED IN CON-VALIDATION?) ☐ YES ☐ NO
☐ WIDOWED ☐ COHABITATING ☐ DIVORCED ➡ ☐ ANNULLED ☐ YES ☐ NO ➡ (INTERESTED IN PETITIONING FOR ANNULMENT?) ☐ YES ☐ NO

OTHER ADULTS LIVING IN THIS HOUSEHOLD

NAME: _____ ☐ MALE ☐ FEMALE RELATIONSHIP: _____

DATE OF BIRTH: _____ RELIGION: _____ LANGUAGE(S): _____ HOME COUNTRY: _____

DATES: ☐ BAPTIZED _____ ☐ 1st COMMUNION _____ ☐ CONFIRMATION _____ MARITAL STATUS: _____

NAME: _____ ☐ MALE ☐ FEMALE RELATIONSHIP: _____

DATE OF BIRTH: _____ RELIGION: _____ LANGUAGE(S): _____ HOME COUNTRY: _____

DATES: ☐ BAPTIZED _____ ☐ 1st COMMUNION _____ ☐ CONFIRMATION _____ MARITAL STATUS: _____

CHILDREN LIVING AT HOME

FIRST NAME:		MIDDLE:		LAST:		PREFERRED:		☐ MALE	☐ FEMALE
DATE OF BIRTH:		LANGUAGE(S):		PLACE OF BIRTH:		RELATIONSHIP:		GRADE:	
SACRAMENTS:	BAPTISM			FIRST COMMUNION			CONFIRMATION		
DATE									
CHURCH									
CITY, STATE									

FIRST NAME:		MIDDLE:		LAST:		PREFERRED:		☐ MALE	☐ FEMALE
DATE OF BIRTH:		LANGUAGE(S):		PLACE OF BIRTH:		RELATIONSHIP:		GRADE:	
SACRAMENTS:	BAPTISM			FIRST COMMUNION			CONFIRMATION		
DATE									
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CITY, STATE									

FIRST NAME:		MIDDLE:		LAST:		PREFERRED:		☐ MALE	☐ FEMALE
DATE OF BIRTH:		LANGUAGE(S):		PLACE OF BIRTH:		RELATIONSHIP:		GRADE:	
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CITY, STATE									

FIRST NAME:		MIDDLE:		LAST:		PREFERRED:		☐ MALE	☐ FEMALE
DATE OF BIRTH:		LANGUAGE(S):		PLACE OF BIRTH:		RELATIONSHIP:		GRADE:	
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DATE									
CHURCH									
CITY, STATE									



PREPARACIÓN MATRIMONIAL

CALENDARIO DE PRE-CANA DIOCESANO 2026

PRE-CANA (ENGLISH)

- Saturday, January 10, 2026: Holy Family Catholic Church, Orlando
- Saturday, February 07, 2026: Blessed Trinity Catholic Church, Ocala
- Saturday, March 28, 2026: Holy Name of Jesus Catholic Church, Indialantic
- Saturday, April 25, 2026: Blessed Trinity Catholic Church, Ocala
- Saturday, May 30, 2026: Holy Family Catholic Church, Orlando
- Saturday, August 01, 2026: Holy Family Catholic Church, Orlando
- Saturday, September 26, 2026: Holy Name of Jesus Catholic Church, Indialantic
- Saturday, October 03, 2026: Blessed Trinity Catholic Church, Ocala
- Saturday, November 21, 2026: Blessed Trinity Catholic Church, Orlando

CONVALIDATION (ENGLISH)

- Saturday, January 24, 2026: Sts. Peter & Paul Catholic Church, Winter Park
- Saturday, May 16, 2026: Sts. Peter & Paul Catholic Church, Winter Park
- Saturday, August 22, 2026: Sts. Peter & Paul Catholic Church, Winter Park
- Saturday, October 24, 2026: Sts. Peter & Paul Catholic Church, Winter Park

PRE-CANA & CONVALIDACIÓN (ESPAÑOL)

- sábado, 21 de febrero 2026: Sts. Peter & Paul Catholic Church, Winter Park
- sábado, 21 de marzo 2026: Blessed Trinity Catholic Church, Orlando
- sábado, 23 de mayo, 2026: St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church, St. Cloud
- sábado, 15 de agosto 2026: Blessed Trinity Catholic Church, Ocala
- sábado, 17 de octubre 2026: Holy Family Catholic Church, Orlando
- sábado, 19 de diciembre 2026: St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church, St. Cloud

Registration is required. To register & for more information, visit:

<https://www.orlandodiocese.org/ministry/marriage-preparation/>

Es necesario registrarse. Para registrarse y obtener más información, visite:

<https://www.orlandodiocese.org/ministry/preparacion-matrimonial/>

**Events, dates, and details are subject to change. Eventos, fechas, y detalles sujetos a cambios.*

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MARRIAGE PREPARATION *Process*

"Look now with favor on these your servants, joined together in Marriage, who ask to be strengthened by your blessing. Send down on them the grace of the Holy Spirit and pour your love into their hearts, that they may remain faithful in the Marriage covenant."

The Rite of Marriage—Nuptial Blessing



MARRIAGE PREPARATION

Process

Congratulations on your decision to receive the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony! The marriage preparation process is designed to guide engaged or civilly married couples towards a sacramental marriage and provide essential tools to live out this lifelong covenant. This process applies to all Catholics in the Diocese of Orlando.

A. Preliminary Interview

Schedule a meeting with a priest, deacon, or pastoral minister at your local parish to begin the sacramental preparation for marriage. This meeting should take place between six to twelve months prior to the anticipated wedding date and before any wedding or reception arrangements are made. During this interview, the priest, deacon, or pastoral minister will provide you with an explanation of the process for marriage preparation and request any necessary documents needed to complete your pre-nuptial file.

**If either party has had a previous marriage (whether civil or religious) no wedding preparation/date may be set until written notification is received that the Declaration of Nullity is final, and until any restriction on a future marriage has been removed. Contact your parish priest to inquire and begin the annulment process. For further information about Annulments, visit the Tribunal page: <https://www.orlandodiocese.org/ministries-offices/annulments/>*

B. Assessment to Determine Readiness

The preparing minister will use a variety of methods to assist in determining the maturity of the couple and their readiness for marriage. The assessment process includes completing Form A, Dispensation Form (if needed), and a pre-marital inventory.

C. Setting the Date

The final date for the wedding is not to be set until the entire assessment process has been completed and a decision to proceed with sacramental preparation for marriage has been made.

D. Instruction

After the readiness for marriage has been determined, the couple will finalize the wedding date and begin the instruction process. The preparing minister will outline the sacramental preparation required. The instruction process includes the couple participating in a marriage preparation program.

**If your parish does not offer marriage formation, you may attend a Diocesan Pre-Cana. If you are unable to attend an in-person program, contact your preparing minister for information about diocesan-approved online pre-marital course options.*

E. Wedding Liturgy

The couple will plan their wedding liturgy with the preparing minister. Areas for liturgical planning include the selection of scriptures, music, liturgical ministries and other related items.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION

Checklist

We hope the following checklist is helpful to you in your preparations for the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony. Remember your wedding is only one day; your marriage is a lifetime!

1. Preliminary Interview

- Between six to twelve months prior to your anticipated wedding date, schedule a meeting with your local parish priest, deacon, or pastoral minister to discuss the marriage preparation process. If you are getting married out-of-state or at another parish, please provide the following information: name and address of the parish where the wedding will take place, celebrant's name, and wedding date.

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2. Pre-Marital Inventory

- Complete the pre-marital inventory - e.g., Fully Engaged, FOCCUS, REFOCCUS.
- Meet with a facilitator mentor couple assigned by your parish to review the inventory results.

3. Marriage Formation

- Receive formation to help you grow in your understanding of the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony and learn practical skills such as communication, parenting, and financial planning.

**If your parish does not offer marriage formation, you may attend a Diocesan Pre-Cana. If you are unable to attend an in-person program, contact your preparing minister for information about diocesan-approved online pre-marital course options.*

4. Natural Family Planning - Optional

- Learn about Natural Family Planning (NFP) and meet with an instructor specialized in one of the methods. For more information, visit:

<https://www.orlandodiocese.org/ministries-offices/laity-family-and-life-secretariat/marriage-and-family-ministry-welcome/natural-family-planning/>

5. Documents Needed to Complete the Pre-Nuptial File Prior to the Wedding

- Certificate of Baptism for each Catholic party, dated within six months of beginning the marriage preparation process - obtainable from the parish where you were baptized. Copy of baptism certificate for baptized non-Catholics.
- Pre-Nuptial Questionnaire - Form A. The preparing minister will complete with the couple.
- Witness Testimony to Prove Freedom to Marry - Form B. Two witnesses for each party, preferably parents or close relatives. Forms will be provided to the couple by the preparing minister.
- Death Certificate of previous spouse or Annulment Decree, if you were previously married.
- Canonical Dispensations and Permissions - if needed, the preparing minister will complete with the couple.
- Certificate of Participation from a marriage preparation program.
- Marriage License from the County Clerk of Court - request it two to four weeks before the wedding. Visit your county's website for more information.

6. Planning Your Wedding Liturgy & Follow-Up Meeting

- Meet with your priest, deacon, or pastoral minister to plan your wedding liturgy.
- Select Scripture readings, prayers, petitions, etc. from the appropriate liturgical books - e.g., Together for Life, The Order of Celebrating Matrimony.
- Meet with the music director to discuss the music for the liturgy.
- Schedule wedding rehearsal with the church.
- Participate in the Sacrament of Reconciliation prior to your wedding day, if Catholic.

