

Checklist for Planning Your Catholic Wedding

- € Announce Engagement
- € Meet with Priest or Deacon
- € Reserve a date on the parish calendar (Note: In the case where one or both were previously married, the decree (s) of annulment must be received before a wedding date for your new marriage can be set)
- € Worship together
- € Register for Marriage Preparation
- € Contact church of your baptism to secure baptism certificate dated within six months of the proposed marriage
- € Make guest list
- € Make arrangements for reception, honeymoon, clothing and travel
- € Invite any attendants and liturgical ministers
- € Complete Marriage Preparation
- € Meet with your priest or deacon again (the number of meetings will vary)
- € Select Scripture readings and other prayers for your wedding
- € Investigate Natural Family Planning Methods
- € Make arrangements with church musician (s)
- € Secure marriage license from city or county where the marriage is to take place. There may be a waiting period between the application and receipt of the license. Give to clergyman before the wedding.
- € Schedule rehearsal with the church
- € Make time for personal prayer and reflection throughout this preparation time. The Sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist are valuable sources of grace and healing.
- € Rehearsal and dinner

€ Go to church and marry your beloved

€ Celebrate

€ Live

€ Remember your wedding day is just that. However, a marriage is a lifetime!

Notes: