

THE SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE AT ST. LAWRENCE MARTYR PARISH

Congratulations on your upcoming marriage! We hope that this time of preparation will be enjoyable and enriching as you prepare to live your lives together as one.

Your wedding is one of the most important events of your lives and thus, requires planning and preparation. More important than the wedding day celebration is the preparation necessary to commit yourself to each other for the rest of your lives. This is why the church is serious about this sacrament and has some expectations and requirements. The marriage preparation process takes a minimum of one year and includes the following stages:

- → Completion of the Marriage Request & Marriage Information Forms
- → First interview with the priest
- → Completion of marriage preparation course
- → Submission of <u>updated</u> baptismal certificate(s) six months before the wedding date
- → Second interview with priest six months before the wedding date
- → Planning wedding ceremony with priest six months before the wedding date
- → Wedding rehearsal one week before the wedding date
- → Marriage celebration

As indicated above, the first step is to complete the Marriage Request Form (below) and the Marriage Information Form. Kindly return the completed forms to the Parish Office so that we can schedule your first interview with the Parish Priest. Please feel free to contact us for any questions or concerns.

*If there has been a previous marriage,

the Parish Priest must contact the Chancery Office before a wedding date can be given.*

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| MARRIAGE REQUEST FORM | |
| (Please print clearly) | |
| GROOM | BRIDE |
| Full Name | |
| Current | |
| Address | |
| Home/Office No | |
| Cell No | |
| Email Address | |
| Occupation | |
| Age | |
| Religion | |
| Have you been married before?_ | |
| (If yes, provide details.) | |
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Time: 12:00 pm 2:00 pm

Wedding Date Requested: