

St. Patrick Parish & Shrine

Sacrament of Matrimony - Wedding Registration Form

Welcome and congratulations!

Blessings of peace as you continue to discern God's will for your lives and what a marriage, sacrament/covenant relationship, in Christ means. As it is commonly said in marriage preparation, "A wedding is a day, but a marriage is a lifetime." The church truly cares about your future and offers opportunities to prepare for a marriage, more than just a wedding. Below you will find information to guide you through the preparation process. Keep in mind that the Church cares about you; and the activities below provide an opportunity for you to grow in your relationship with one another, and with Christ.

- Complete the form in its entirety. Fill it out the form as completely as possible, as all the information is required in order to record the wedding in the sacramental register. Select three possible dates for your wedding. Fr. Jeff will perform only one wedding per weekend on either Friday or Saturday at 6:30 PM. The rehearsal will be held the evening prior at 6:00 PM. Once you have e-mailed, faxed, dropped off, or mailed your date choices back to the church office, you will be contacted with a confirmed date. Please allow up to several weeks for confirmation of requested date. Also, dates are assigned on a first come, first serve basis. Dates will not be confirmed until the paperwork is returned and the deposit is received.
- Catholics must forward a baptismal record from the church of baptism. The date of the certificate <u>cannot</u> be dated any earlier than 6 months prior to the wedding date. It is recommended a request for the baptismal record be made 4-6 months prior to the wedding date. Non-Catholics need to forward a copy of their baptismal record to St. Patrick Church as well. If not baptized, no need to be alarmed, Fr. Jeff will discuss this with you during the meetings.
- Meet with Fr. Jeff at least twice before your wedding. The 1st meeting should take place six to eight months before your wedding date. Fr. Jeff meets with engaged couples on Friday evenings and Sunday afternoons by appointment. Call the church office to schedule the appointments or email: parishoffice@stpatrickchurch.us.
- If you are planning to have a visiting priest perform the wedding ceremony, the priest needs to contact Fr. Jeff <u>before</u> scheduling the wedding. This is to ensure all paperwork and marriage preparation is being handled by the appropriate person.
- Visit the diocesan website at http://www.covdio.org/ and click on the marriage preparation link at the bottom right hand corner of the Home page. There you will find a lists and links of marriage preparation activities and registration instructions. You will need to attend one of the listed marriage preparation programs 3-6 months prior to your wedding. Since marriage preparation programs often fill up early, it is wise to register 2 to 3 months before the program date. Natural Family Planning is also a marriage requirement. The Couple to Couple League information can be found at: https://ccli.org/. We must have both certificates on file before the wedding.

If you have any concerns, such as, annulments, previous marriages, a civil marriage that need to be validated or blessed, and/or baptismal questions, discuss these with Fr. Jeff at the earliest possible date. If a person has been married before in a different religion, (i.e. Baptist or Episcopalian) the Church recognizes this as a valid marriage and an annulment may need to be obtained. Most of these concerns can be solved in a simple manner.

God's Peace,

Fr. Jeff

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Groom Information

Name:						Age:	
Home Adaress:	FIRST	MIDDL	LE .		LAST		
Present Parish:							
Phone Home:					Cell		
E-mail address:							
Birth Date:							
Religion:		Bap	otized: Yes	No	Date Baptized	l://	,
Church Baptized:							
Bride Informati	<u>on</u>						
Name:						Age:	
Home Adaress:	FIRST	MIDDL	.E		LAST		
Present Parish:							
Phone Home:							
E-mail address:							
Birth Date:/		Occupation:					
Religion:		Bap	otized: Yes	No	Date Baptized	l://	, <u> </u>
Church Baptized:							
Names of Witness (E	Best Man/Maid of Ho	onor)					
Where will you resid	e after the wedding	:					
·	_		STREET A		CITY	STATE	ZIPCODE
Do you plan to become	ne/remain parishion	ers of St. Patrick	Parish & Shrin	e	Yes	No	
♣ If s	so do you wish to us	e offering envelop	pes?		Yes	No	
Groom Previously M	Iarried? Yes	No	Bride Pr	eviously Mar	rried? Yes	No	
Please list three choice	ces for date of the w	redding:					
1 st Choice:	/ / 2 nd	Choice:/	/	3 rd	Choice:/	/	
Is groom a member of	of the Parish? Yes_	No_	Is bri	ide a member	for the parish?	YesNo	
Would the marriage	performed by a deac	on be okay if ther	re is no Mass?		Yes	No	

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WEDDING POLICY AND PROCEDURES

The Catholic Church focuses on the dignity of personhood and the sanctity of sacrament. As such, your wedding ceremony choices should reflect the dignity of personhood and respect the sanctity of the marriage sacrament.

Wedding Dates & Times

Weddings are always scheduled at 6:30pm on Saturday evening. Any exceptions must be approved by Fr Jeff. Rehearsals are always scheduled at 6:00pm the Friday before the wedding. Any exceptions must be approved by Fr Jeff.

Attire

Wedding gowns and attendant dresses should be modest, giving reverence to the Presence of the Lord.

Dressing Area

There are no dressing areas available in the Church.

Flowers & Decorations

St. Patrick Parish & Shrine is a beautiful church. The addition of extras is not necessary to provide for a beautiful wedding ceremony. However, should you choose to add flowers, simple bouquets seem best. We request flowers placed on the Altar, be left in the church after the ceremony. Please be aware that the church is decorated for Advent, Christmas, Lent, Easter and Pentecost. These seasonal decorations cannot be removed.

Delivery of flowers should be scheduled to arrive on the day of the wedding. Please call the parish secretary at (859) 356-5151 ext. 10 or email: stpatsemail@fuse.net to coordinate the timing/delivery.

Bows cannot be affixed to the pews with anything other than small rubber bands or ribbon. All bows/ribbons must be removed after the ceremony. No glue, tacks etc., are permitted at any time.

Unity Candles may be used.

Aisle runners are *not* permitted to be used in the church.

Photography & Video

Flash and extra lighting may be used during the entrance and exit processions and for posed shots afterward. If possible, please avoid using extra lighting during the ceremony. Video cameras may be used.

The engaged couple may have use of the church for 1 hour prior to the ceremony as Saturday Mass ends; and as long as needed after the ceremony.

Music

Please contact Joe Ising at (513) 616-4463 on recommendations for music and/or music providers.

Monetary Fees

Fees are charged to cover the cost incurred for lighting, heating/cooling, water, office services, sacristan and other parish expenses. The following are our fees:

♣ Parishioners: *\$150.00
♣ Non-Parishioners *\$450.00

*Note: A non-refundable \$50.00 deposit is due with all registration paperwork and is required to confirm any dates. In the case of cancellation, the total fee, minus the \$50.00 non-refundable deposit for office processing, will be returned. Checks should be made payable to St. Patrick Church. If a cancellation is necessary, the deposit will be refunded only if St. Patrick Church is notified at least 60 days in advance.

It is also customary to give a stipend of \$100 minimum to the presider of the wedding. This should be given prior to the rehearsal or wedding ceremony.

The wedding couple is responsible for damages to the church or its fixtures as it relates to the rehearsal, wedding and/or reception.

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WEDDING POLICY AND PROCEDURES AGREEMENT

Please initial the following to indicate agreement:

GROOM	BRIDE	WE ACKNOWLEDGE	THAT:					
		We have contacted the pre-	esiding clergy and arrang	ged a time for our wedding				
_		We will participate in a m	arriage preparation prog	ram				
_		We will participate in Natural Family Planning						
		We will obtain our baptismal certificates and provide them to the parish dated no earlier than 6 months before our wedding date						
		We agree to abide by the J	policies and procedures					
		We understand should the	re be a cancellation, our	fee will be returned less the \$50 office processing of	charge			
		We assume responsibility	for damages relating to	our ceremony				
_		We will share the policies	ne policies with members of our wedding party					
		We agree to contact the priest to schedule meeting days and times						
G.			G.					
Groom:			Groom:	CYCNATIVE				
	ı	PRINT NAME		SIGNATURE				
Bride:			Bride:					
	PRINT NAME		SIGNATURE					
Date:	/ /	_						

Please return the completed registration and deposit to the church office via one of the following methods:

- Fax to (859) 344-7042 (you will still need to send in deposit before a date can be confirmed)
- Email to: stpatsemail@fuse.net
- Drop off in person during the secretary's office hours, or place in the office drop-box
- Mail it to:

Secretary St. Patrick Parish & Shrine 3285 Mills Rd. Taylor Mill, Kentucky 41015-2480