

# Saint Christopher Catholic Church

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## Requirements to be Married at Saint Christopher Catholic Church

- 1) Be a registered member of the parish.
- 2) Be living your faith by practicing your religion by attending and participating in weekly Mass and Mass of Holy Days of Obligation.
- 3) Become acquainted with the Pastor through Marriage Preparation process and greeting him before and after Mass.
- 4) Go to the Sacrament of Confession regularly every two or three months, or more often if needed.
- 5) Provide baptismal records that are recently issued by contacting your respective places of Baptism.
- 6) Complete an Introduction to Marriage Preparation class.
- 7) Complete a Natural Family Planning class on the Sympto-Thermal Methodology.
- 8) Complete the Marriage Preparation FOCCUS Inventory with Fr. James Arwady.

### NOTES:

- 1) Marriage preparation process time is a minimum of six months.
- 2) Civil marriage license due to parish office 2-3 days before wedding date.
- 3) Mass (or Scripture Service) planning sheet due to Pastor minimum of two weeks before wedding date.
- 4) No aisle runners, no rice, and no secular music or music that is inappropriate for Liturgy permitted.
- 5) No drinking alcohol or use of illegal or controlled substances before the wedding because it will invalidate your wedding consent, i.e. you will have a “fake” marriage.
- 6) Unity Candles are not permitted, as they are not a part of the Catholic Marriage ritual.

### Wedding Stipends/Fees

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| Priest:       | \$150 | Customary          |
| Church:       | \$150 | Required           |
| Musician:     | \$150 | Required           |
| Cantor:       | \$50  | Required           |
| Altar Server: | \$25  | Minimum, Customary |