Reminders For Wedding Photographers/ Videographers



Please share this information with whomever needs it!

We do not wish to embarrass anyone. However, these guidelines will be enforced.

If the guidelines or verbal instructions are not followed, the Presider reserves the right to stop the wedding. He will wait until the necessary changes have been made or in extreme cases the photographer has left the church.

Photographers and videographers: It is important to keep in mind that this is a church and not a photo studio. It is a sacred space and must be treated as such. Photographers and videographers are permitted during the wedding liturgy with the following understandings:

Chapel: Our Chapel, which includes the tabernacle, is to the left of the shrine of St. Blase. It is a place for prayer. **This may NOT be used for picture taking.**

Garden: A number of photographers have chosen to use the garden area for pictures. The entrance is off the office Gathering Space. There is also an outside shrine to our Blessed Mother.



- *Respect for the dignity of the religious service must be observed. For this reason, photographers or video cameras are not permitted in the sanctuary during the liturgy. The sanctuary is the area of the altar, platform and steps. They MUST stay behind the last row of guests on either side of the main aisle. NO ONE is allowed anywhere else in the Church. Please ask our Wedding Coordinators if you need clarification.
- * NOTHING is to be placed on the Baptismal font.
- *Flash may be used ONLY during the entrance and recessional processions.
- * Cameras may NOT be placed in front of the first rows of any of the 5 sections in the church, nor can they block any of the aisles.
- *Very limited time is available before the liturgy for photos. Please check with Mary Dumm, our Pastoral Associate, the week prior to your wedding for Church availability.
- *Immediately following the wedding liturgy, there is 30 minutes set aside for pictures.
- *Following the liturgy, the sanctuary steps may be used for pictures; however, the altar itself or the sanctuary furnishings are not to be used or moved.
- *Videographers are expected to abide by the same policies as photographers.

Dr. Mary Dumm, our Pastoral Associate, or any of our Wedding Coordinators will be happy to clarify any of our policies or answer any questions. Thank you. We can be reached at marydumm@aol.com or 586.268.2244