



## WEDDING GUIDELINES & FEES

1. Weddings are held on Saturdays at 11:00 am and 2:00 pm. To avoid conflict with other services, each wedding is to respect the ending time for the wedding:

Weddings at: 11:00 am must exit the church by 12:45 pm

2:00 pm MUST EXIT THE CHURCH BY 3:30 PM

- **2.** In order for your reservation to be definite, **a one-hundred-and-fifty-dollar deposit (\$150) is required** to reserve your wedding date. This deposit is **non-refundable**.
- 3. THERE ARE TWO FEE SCHEDULES AT ST. ANDREW PARISH, ONE FOR ACTIVE PARISHIONERS (\$200) AND ANOTHER FOR NON-PARISHIONERS (\$650). This fee is to be paid no later than 30 days before the wedding at the parish office and includes the \$150 from the deposit. THIS FEE DOES NOT INCLUDE THE MUSICIANS. All fees are negotiable for those who, for good reason, would have considerable difficulties paying them.
- **4.** Please have your **photographers or videographer** check with the presider before the ceremony. Our experience is that most photographers are discrete and respectful of the prayer spirit of the liturgy. It is important that their movements not distract from the nature of the celebration. We also request that they finish their photo sessions within the allotted time frame.
- **5. Floral arrangements and/or decorations** belonging to the church in the sanctuary area may not be removed, altered or added to by florists without permission of the presider. Certain holy days and liturgical seasons (Advent, Christmas, Lent, and Easter) limit the use of additional decorations, since the church is decorated according to the Liturgical season. These decorations are an integral part of the liturgical celebrations and are to be respected at all times.
- **6.** Additional floral pieces that are desired may be used but must not be on the altar or the tabernacle nor obscure them. They can be placed on back altar, in front of ambo or side altar. They should be in good taste and not overshadow the sacredness of the marriage ceremony. WE DO NOT ALLOW the use of an aisle runner as they are often a tripping hazard.
- 7. NOT PERMITTED balloon decorations, throwing flower petals, pets and/or candles inside of church. Also throwing of rice, confetti or birdseed outside of church are not permitted.
- **8.** The bride and groom are requested to provide their florist and photographer with these guidelines. If photographers and/or florists have any particular concerns and/or questions they should <u>not hesitate to contact our parish secretary at 262-723-5565 or 262-728-5922</u>.
- **9.** <u>Do not bring any form of intoxicant to the church premises</u> whether for the rehearsal, ceremony or afterwards. The church proper is a smoke free zone. If any of your guests must smoke, invite them to do so outside.

Thanks for your cooperation.

For further questions contact Kris Parker (office@stpatrickselkhorn.org)