



## Marriage at HRSR Church

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**To ensure that the engaged couple have adequate time to prepare in a serious way, contact with church must be made at least six months in advance of the couple's wedding date, and conclude no closer than eight weeks prior to the date. Nine months to one year is ideal.**

**WELCOME!** We invite you to actively participate in a parish, attend Sunday Mass, and to make the sacraments and the Christian faith a foundation of your future together. Experience reveals, and research confirms, that “the rate of satisfaction in marriage is higher for husbands and wives when both regularly maintain religious attendance and feel that God is the center of their marriage.” If you are Catholic and not yet Confirmed, then it is best to talk with your priest so you can start to get involved in a parish RCIA program (that you may begin but may not be completed until after your wedding date). The lack of the Sacrament of Confirmation is not an impediment to marriage. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is also recommended prior to your wedding. Your pastor will discuss options for receiving this sacrament. Remember that there is no sin that God is not eager to forgive. Participation in this sacrament can become a significant moment of grace in your preparation to receive the Sacrament of Matrimony fruitfully.

### **Requirements for Marriage:**

1. Meeting with the priest. - Form A
2. Recent Original Baptismal certificate with notations
3. Freedom form (notarized) -Form B Marriage Preparation

### **Marriage Preparation:**

- Fully engaged (Compatibility Inventory)
- CAMINO DEL MATRIMONIO (English and Spanish)  
Dwayne Clein 305-226-4664 [caminodelmatrimonio@gmail.com](mailto:caminodelmatrimonio@gmail.com) OR
- TRANSFORMED IN LOVE Susana Diaz 305-762-1127

4. The Compatibility Inventory and the Pre-Marriage Retreat must be completed within three months after the initial Wedding Application has been submitted to the Parish.

### **5. MARRIAGE LICENSE:**

The marriage License is valid for 60 days, please apply for the license and bring it to the office at least 2 weeks prior the wedding date. To apply for the license visit:

South Dade Government Center, 10710 SW 211 Street, Suite 207, Cutler Bay, Florida 33189

## **DO NOT MARRY CIVILLY BEFORE THE CHURCH WEDDING**

Please DO NOT marry civilly before the church wedding. If you get married before the church wedding, you will have to wait one year before getting married in the church. If you have an immigration issue and must get married civilly, you must first speak to Marilu Rodriguez.

**Holy Rosary – St. Richard Church reserves the right to cancel the if the above listed required paperwork is not received on time.**



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### **The following are not permitted in the Church:**

1. Unity candles, rice, flower petals, sparklers, bubbles, confetti, pets and/ or anything of the like are NOT permitted anywhere on Church property.
2. Aisle runners are NOT permitted.
3. Photographers are not allowed on the Altar

### **Donation:**

- Donation: Church \$700
- Chapel \$500
- Make check payable to: HRSR Church (Flowers and music are not included) or visit Faith Direct to make a secure online donation

### **Music:**

For music arrangements please contact our Music Ministers:

Rosa Scott 1-917-940-3443

Marion Scott 786-383-6106 Email: [rscott@hrsres.org](mailto:rscott@hrsres.org) or [msscott@hrsres.org](mailto:msscott@hrsres.org)

Music fee: \$300

\$350 if one additional cantor is requested.

Make check for music payable to: Rosa Scott

NO outside music allowed under any circumstances

### **Day, Time & Rehearsal:**

Weddings may be scheduled on Saturdays ONLY, at 2:00 p.m.

Rehearsals are normally scheduled the day before the wedding between 6 and 7 pm. Rehearsals MUST BEGIN PROMPTLY.

Our Sacristan, Sharon Brauer will be contacting you and will be there to help you during your rehearsal and actual wedding day. Since she is a volunteer for the church, we suggest a donation to be paid by you at the time of your rehearsal. If you need to contact Sharon, please call 305-253-6726.

### **Readings:**

The church will provide options for The Readings during the Liturgy. (Optional)

### **Area Florists: (suggestions)**

Blooming Gardens (305) 256-2772 - Cutler Bay, FL

Hirni's Garden Florist (305) 661-6266 - Pinecrest, FL

Bud Stop Florist (305) 255-0330 - Palmetto Bay, FL

### **Dress Code:**

Your wedding day is a very special one and hopefully, will be remembered for many years to come with happy memories. Bride and Bridesmaids must remember, however, that the wedding is not just a time to party but an important Sacrament, and the dress code must be appropriate for the Church. Any dress that shows cleavage, low cut, back-less gowns or mini-skirts may not be worn in Church. If a bride is wearing a strapless dress the veil should cover the shoulders.

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If a bride has any questions regarding proper dress, please check with Mrs. Rodriguez before purchasing any dresses. The dress code applies to all persons participating in the wedding ceremony.

### Flowers:

The florist may place two bouquets on the back of the altar, one bouquet by the altar (table), one bouquet by the ambo and one bouquet by the pulpit. No other decorations or additions are allowed on the altar.

For safety reasons and cleanliness, we do not allow standing arrangements with candles for the center aisles, trees or potted plants. You may place flowers at the end of the pews; please be sure not to use any material or gadgets that may harm or damage the pews. Only string, thin rope or flower clips may be used to attach flower arrangements to the pews. Linking the pews together with ropes, ribbons, tulle or anything else that prevents easy entry/exit to the pews is not allowed. No other decorations are permitted on the pews and if you bring anything else, we will not allow the florist to put it up. In order to secure the safety of your guests, we cannot permit any type of aisle runners, carpets or paper rugs. Your safety and the safety of your guests is important to us.

**Please follow up with your preparer and celebrant so that there are no problems with your wedding.**

### WEDDING CEREMONY OUTLINE

Entrance Procession  
Welcome by the Presider  
Old Testament Reading  
Responsorial Psalm (Musical Arrangement)  
New Testament Reading  
Gospel & Homily  
Consent & Exchange of Vows  
Blessing and Exchange of Rings  
Eucharist Final Blessing Exit Procession

### Consent

I have read and clearly understand Holy Rosary-St. Richard Church guidelines.

We know that our marriage date is tentative until we fulfill the entire necessary paperwork (i.e. sacramental records, letter of permission, etc.), attend “Transformed in Love” or “El Camino del Matrimonio”, as well as participating in the Compatibility Inventory, i.e. Fully Engaged.

The Pastor reserves at any time the right for any spiritual or canonical reason to postpone or cancel this wedding date. In such a case, we agree to release Holy Rosary-St Richard Church from all expenses, loses or harm incurred by us.

Name of the Groom : \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of the Bride: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Marriage: \_\_\_\_\_ Time: \_\_\_\_\_

Church of Marriage: \_\_\_\_\_

Marriage Coordinator: \_\_\_\_\_