

Immaculate Heart of Mary Church

Marriage Registration

A. Pre-marriage Inquiry - Please contact the Parish Priest

1. Parishioners wishing to get married in the Church should make arrangement with the parish office at least 6 months in advance. The date of the wedding can only be confirmed after the completion of the pre-marriage inquiry as well as upon the submission of the documents (items a-c) concerned.
Required documents are as follows:
 - a. Obtain at the parish of baptism, a baptismal certificate issued for marriage purposes - *valid for only 6 months*;
 - b. Obtain at the Government Marriage Registry, a Certificate of Registry of Marriage (a marriage license for marriages held in church) - *valid for only 3 months*;
 - c. a Certificate of Completion of a Pre-Marriage Formation Programme (organized by the Caritas or the Catholic Marriage Advisory Council) (To secure a place for such a programme, better apply 3 to 6 months ahead of time. Caritas: Tel. 2669-2316; Catholic Marriage Advisory Council: Tel. 2523-3682)
2. Upon collection of the above documents (items a-c), both parties should arrange to meet with the Parish Priest or their familiar priest for the PRENUPTIAL INQUIRY- *valid for only 3 months*;
3. If it is discovered that the couple has made false declarations concerning either party's free status, the couple will not be permitted to hold a church wedding.

B. The Wedding Ceremony

1. All documents and fees *must be handed in to the parish office at least 40 days prior to the wedding*.
2. If the date of wedding has not been confirmed, the parish will not be responsible for wedding invitations sent out or other arrangements made.
3. Please be informed that the wedding date previously assigned would be tentative and it could not be guaranteed that the wedding would be held as scheduled.

C. Sacraments Before Marriage

1. The Church earnestly advises Catholics to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation and the Holy Communion before their wedding. Those who have not received the Sacrament of Confirmation should receive it before the wedding.

Registration form

Date of Registration : _____

Name(Groom) : _____ (Catholic/Non-catholic) Name (Bride) : _____ (Catholic/Non-catholic)

Marriage Date : _____ Time of ceremony : _____

Address : _____

Telephone : _____(Groom) _____(Bride)

Email : _____/_____

I provide the above data voluntarily for the Diocese's records. I understand and accept that the data provided are used in accordance with Cap.486 of the Personal Data (Privacy) Ordinance.