



# Guidelines for Photographers

Photographs provide lasting memories of the wedding ceremony. The taking of these photographs, however, should not distract the bride, groom, and their guests at the wedding from the prayerful dignity of the liturgy of Christian Marriage.

Careful observance of the following policies is expected.

## WEDDING PHOTOGRAPHY

1. The Church is available for photography no earlier than one hour before the wedding. Pictures involving the Ushers must be completed 15 minutes before the wedding so as not to interfere with their duties of ushering guests.
2. Setup of photographic equipment must be completed 10 minutes before the wedding begins.
3. The photographer is not allowed in the sanctuary (raised altar area) for the taking of pictures or video during the liturgy.
4. No flash photography is allowed during the ceremony.
5. Picture taking after the ceremony is limited to 30 minutes immediately following the wedding.
6. A still-photographer is allowed to move as long as he/she is not a distraction to the congregation.

## WEDDING VIDEOGRAPHY

1. Video equipment may be set up in the church no earlier than one hour before the wedding.
2. Neither professional nor guest videographers are allowed in the sanctuary (raised altar area) during any part of the wedding liturgy.
3. Videographers should remain stationary during the liturgy.
4. Lights on video cameras are not allowed.