

# Resurrection of the Lord Church Wedding Guidelines & Worksheet

Bride _____	Groom _____
Best Man _____	Maid of Honor _____
Priest/Deacon _____	Musician _____
Church _____	Date/Time _____

## Parish Guidelines

### General Information

1. At least one party must be Catholic.
2. Weddings are celebrated in the *church building only*, Monday through Saturday, between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. Weddings are not scheduled on Sundays, during the sacred Triduum, holy days, or civic holidays.
3. Your marriage preparation should begin at least 6 months prior to your proposed wedding date.

### Preparation

Your marriage preparation should begin at least 6 months prior to your proposed wedding date. It is necessary for couples in the Diocese of Honolulu to complete the Engaged Encounter weekend retreat.

### Offering

For non-registered parishioners, the suggested donation to Resurrection of the Lord Church is \$1000.00. This amount does not include the gratuity to the priest or the fee for the musician.

### Marriage License

You will need to obtain a marriage license from the State of Hawaii Department of Health prior to the wedding. It is to be completed online. **Please bring the marriage license worksheet with your license number on it to the rehearsal.** We will add the Marriage Performer's license number online and a license will be generated and mailed directly to you.

## **Rehearsal**

We will be happy to schedule a rehearsal for you and your wedding party before your wedding day. The rehearsal usually lasts about a half hour. This may be scheduled by contacting our Parish Office.

## **Flowers**

You are welcome to add flower arrangements (except during Lent) provided they do not obstruct the view of the altar, ambo, cathedral or presider's chair. No flower petals, rice, birdseed, or confetti may be thrown inside or outside the church.

## **Music**

Only sacred songs and instrumental music appropriate for Catholic liturgy will be permitted in the church. All music must be approved and arranged with our parish Director of Music, Justin Agustin, who will also provide accompaniment for the liturgy. Justin can be reached at 391-6406.

You may contact him directly and the fee for the musician is \$150.00 payable directly to the musician. Other musicians are welcome to accompany our Director of Music provided they conform to the norms for Catholic worship and are approved by the parish musician in advance.

## **Photography/Videography**

We understand the desire to preserve the wedding on film and videotape. Professional photographers and videographers are welcome to take pictures during the liturgy provided that no flash photography is used, no one enters the sanctuary, and the movement of the participants is not impeded by the photographer. Videographers and photographers should check with the wedding coordinator or officiating priest/deacon prior to the start of the wedding.

## **Unity Candle & Sand Ceremony**

The lighting of a "unity candle" and the sand ceremony is not part of the Roman Catholic marriage ritual. The primary symbols of a couples' unity are the vows themselves, the rings, and the reception of the Eucharist. If the unity candle is important to you, we suggest you make it part of the Table Prayer at the reception.

## **Church Furnishings**

Additional decorations should not be taped, nailed, or tacked to the pews, chairs, or walls and must be removed following the ceremony.

## **Food and Beverages**

Neither is allowed in the church. Consumption of any alcohol or drugs prior to the liturgy will result in the cancellation of the wedding.

## **Dressing & Parking Facilities**

Unfortunately, we do not have changing rooms at the parish. We suggest the couple come to the church dressed for the ceremony. A small room for the bridal attendants will be available to freshen up before the wedding ceremony. Restroom facilities are available. There is ample parking for guests.

## Visitor Weddings from Out of State

1. Contact your parish priest to begin the formal preparation required by your home diocese. Once your preparation program is completed, your priest will send the marriage documents to your local diocese of review. After their review is completed, they will forward the documents to: **The Tribunal, Diocese of Honolulu, St. Stephen Diocesan Center, 6701 Pali Hwy, Kaneohe, HI 96744.** Following the approval of our Chancellor, your documents will be forwarded to the Co-Cathedral. Your marriage will be recorded in our parish register and your files will remain as permanent records of Resurrection of the Lord Church.
2. After you have met with your priest, contact our Parish Office to reserve the date of your wedding. We can advise on the availability of the church at that time and will hold your requested date.
3. We also request you send a Letter of Intent to the Resurrection of the Lord Church to include the following:
  - a. The couple's names, religion, home addresses, telephone numbers, and email addresses.
  - b. The date and time of the wedding.
  - c. The complete names of your witnesses (Best Man, Maid/Matron of Honor). **Two witnesses are required.**
  - d. The name, address, and phone number of your parish church.
  - e. The name of the priest preparing you for marriage.
  - f. The date of arrival in Honolulu and local contact information.
4. You will also need obtain your **State of Hawaii Marriage License** as soon as you arrive in Honolulu. You will need to show a form of picture identification at the time you apply for your license. You can apply for the marriage license online through the State of Hawaii Department of Health website. **Please bring the marriage license worksheet and any financial offering with you for the church, the minister, and musician to the rehearsal.**

## Bringing Your Own Priest

If you wish to have another priest, who resides outside the State of Hawaii, to preside at your marriage, it is necessary that he obtain a marriage performer license from the State of Hawaii. He can apply for this online through the State of Hawaii Department of Health website. There are also additional requirements for the Diocese of Honolulu. Our office and the Diocese of Honolulu will need to receive copies of his license and paperwork several weeks before the wedding date. Please note the offering for the use of the church remains the same.

## How To Contact Us

Our Parish Office is open Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. – 12 Noon and 1:00 – 4:30 p.m. (Hawaii Standard Time). We are located at 94-1260 Lumikula Street, Waipahu, HI 96797.

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# The Wedding Worksheet

## Pre-Service Music

*Music before the wedding may be vocal, instrumental, or a combination of the two. It can be classical or sacred music and must be appropriate for liturgy. Popular music or "show tunes" are inappropriate even before the service.*

Music Selection(s) \_\_\_\_\_

## Introductory Rites

*The processional music accompanies the entrance of the bridal party.*

The Greeting of the Couple (at the door)

Processional Music/Hymn \_\_\_\_\_

Sign of the Cross & Greeting

Gloria (sung)

Collect \_\_\_\_\_ by the Priest Celebrant

## The Liturgy of the Word

*Please list the Scripture citation from approved texts. They can be found in Together For Life.  
The Responsorial Psalm and Acclamation should be sung.*

First Reading \_\_\_\_\_ Reader \_\_\_\_\_

Responsorial Psalm (sung)

Second Reading \_\_\_\_\_ Reader \_\_\_\_\_

Gospel Acclamation (sung)

Gospel \_\_\_\_\_ by the Priest Celebrant

Homily \_\_\_\_\_ by the Priest Celebrant

## The Celebration of Matrimony

The Questions Before the Consent

The Consent (Vows) \_\_\_\_\_ Repeated after the Priest Celebrant

*I, N. take you N., to be my wife/husband. I promise to be faithful to you, in good times and in bad, in sickness and in health, to love you and to honor you all the days of my life.*

OR

*I, N. take you N., for my lawful wife/husband, to have and to hold, from this day forward, for better, for worse, for richer, for poorer, in sickness and in health, to love and to cherish until death do us part.*

The Reception of the Consent

The Blessing & Giving of Rings

*The Blessing & Giving of the Arras (optional)*

*Hymn of Praise (optional)* \_\_\_\_\_

Universal Prayer

by the Priest Celebrant

*The liturgy concludes with the Concluding Rite. Or if you are celebrating marriage in the context of Mass, please see the note below.*

### **Liturgy of the Eucharist**

Offertory Hymn \_\_\_\_\_

Presentation of the Bread & Wine

Giftbearers: 1) \_\_\_\_\_

2) \_\_\_\_\_

Preface & Great Thanksgiving

Sanctus

Mass Setting: \_\_\_\_\_

Eucharistic Prayer & Acclamations

Mass Setting: \_\_\_\_\_

Our Father

*The Blessing and Placing of the Lazo or the Veil (optional)*

Nuptial Blessing

Rite of Peace

Lamb of God

Mass Setting: \_\_\_\_\_

Communion Procession & Hymn \_\_\_\_\_

Prayer After Communion

Blessing & Dismissal

Final Blessing

Recessional Music \_\_\_\_\_

**Suggested Hymns:** God Who Created Hearts To Love (Lasst Uns Erfreuen)

Endless Is Your Love

All People That On Earth Do Dwell

Joyful, Joyful We Adore You (Hymn of Joy)

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

For the Beauty of the Earth

God Is Love (Hawaiian melody)

Love One Another

When Love Is Found

Ubi Caritas (Rosania/Hurd)

The Queen's Prayer (Hawaiian melody)

As We Gather At Your Table

Draw Us In The Spirit's Tether

Bread for the World

Make of Our Hands A Throne

Taste and See

One Bread, One Body

Eye Has Not Seen

We Are Called

O God Beyond All Praising

Responsorial Psalms

We Praise You (Ps. 135/136)

All The Ends of the Earth (Ps. 98)

Forever I Will Sing (Ps. 89)

Taste and See (Ps. 34)