St. Paul the Apostle Maltese-Canadian Parish

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REGISTRATION FOR MARRIAGE

Prenuptial Information

Proposed Date of Marriage:

Time of Wedding to be arranged with the Priest, based on availability: 12:00 noon 2:00 p.m.

GROOM'S INFORMATION - PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Last Name	Given Name(s) Age at Marri			Age at Marriage
Present Address	Occupation Home Phone Number			
	Present Religion	Work Phone Number		
Date of Birth	Place of Birth	Present Citizenship		
Date of Baptism	Denomination	Rite		
Church of Baptism (Name & Address)				
Proof: Certificate Testimony of Witness	This Parish Register Number & Page Reference:			
Confirmation: (Church & City)		Date		
Father - Last Name	Present Address	Birthplace		
Given name(s)		Religion/Rite		
Mother—Maiden Name	Present Address	Birthplace		
Given Name(s)		Religion/Rite		

BRIDE'S INFORMATION - PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Last Name	Given Name(s) Age at Marriag			Age at Marriage	
Present Address	Occupation Home Phone Number		Home Phone Number		
	Present Religion		Work Phone Number		
Date of Birth	Place of Birth	Present Citizenship		ship	
Date of Baptism	Denomination	Rite			
Church of Baptism (Name & Address)					
Proof: Certificate Testimony of Witness					
	This Parish Register Number & Page Reference:				
Confirmation: (Church & City)		Date		Certificate	
Father - Last Name	Present Address	Birthplace			
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Given name(s)		Religion/Rite			
Mother—Maiden Name	Present Address	Birthplace			
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Given Name(s)		Religion/Rite			

Previous Marriage

Groom: Over Married Presently in First Marriage Widowed Divorced	Bride: Never Married Presently in First Marriage Widowed Divorced
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Details of proposed marriage			
Given Date:		Date Withheld	Celebrant:
Name of Church:			
St. Paul the Apostle Church	Other (specify)		
Couple's Future Address:			

N.B. No Mass is celebrated in a mixed marriage. In a marriage between Catholics, Mass will be celebrated only if the couple attends Mass regularly.

This section is to be filled only by the priest.

The place of marriage is:
Legitimate parish of either or both by reason of Regular Attendance. The Ordinary of Toronto grants permission to his subjects to marry either in their Proper Parish or their Legitimate Parish.
The Parish of neither party. The permission of either Pastor is required.

Notes & Comments:

YOUR WEDDING SCHEDULE

ONE YEAR BEFORE YOUR WEDDING:

- 1. Book your wedding by filling out a registration form. Your date and time are confirmed ONLY once you have met with the priest. When you meet with the priest, he will instruct you regarding the amount of meetings he will have with you.
- 2. Make arrangements for your marriage preparation course. Get this done as soon as possible. Courses fill quickly and you MUST attend if you are to be married in any Catholic Church. Please visit <u>www.cfstoronto.com</u> and click on Marriage Preparation to find a course suitable for you. (There is a separate fee for this course).
- 3. If you are told you need permission to be married at St. Paul's, obtain this permission immediately and return it to the parish office at St. Paul's.

SIX MONTHS BEFORE THE WEDDING:

- 1. If you need to obtain freshly issued Catholic Baptism Certificates, do so now. You may telephone or write to the parish where you were baptized to obtain a copy. It is considered good manners to make a small donation to the parish for this service.
- 2. Book your musicians..

TWO MONTHS BEFORE THE WEDDING:

- 1. Call the rectory at 416.767.7054 to set up an appointment for your final interview with the priest you've got in contact with when you came to book your wedding.
- 2. Set up your rehearsal date with Mary Azzopardi 416.769.0928 or Eileen Darmanin 416.769.9360.
- 3. Name of photographers/videographers must be submitted at this time.
- 4. Have a meeting with your musician to confirm music. This should be passed on to the priest for his comments and final approval.

AT YOUR REHEARSAL:

- 1. People that should attend the rehearsal: wedding party; both sets of parents; and the readers.
- 2. Confirm your rehearsal with the parish office a couple of days beforehand. Please be on time.
- 3. Your marriage is a liturgical celebration, and the Church is the house of God. Immodest dress, chewing gum, cigarettes, cell phones and inappropriate behaviour are not acceptable (guys, please hats off). Please advice the wedding party beforehand to avoid confrontations.
- 4. Please take care of all offerings at the rehearsal.
 - a. Church Offering: \$500.00 (Cash or cheque payable to: St. Paul the Apostle Church).
 - b. This offering is for the church and not for the priest.
 - c. If you bring a priest from outside the parish, you might want to give him a gift that would also cover transportation costs.
 - d. You may wish to leave a tip for the altar servers (2 x \$10.00). This is usually done by putting cash two separate envelopes marked 'Altar servers'.
 - e. You must make your own arrangements for the musicians fee.

ON THE DAY OF YOUR WEDDING:

- 1. Men must be at church 15 minutes before the ceremony. Women (including the bride) 5 minutes before the ceremony.
- 2. The bride is **NOT EXPECTED** to be late. Remember the musicians and/or the priest may have other commitments after your wedding.

AFTER THE WEDDING:

- 1. The certificate of marriage that will be given to you after your ceremony, may not always be recognized as an official document. It is highly recommended that you obtain a government copy of your marriage certificate . You can do so by visiting <u>www.orgforms.gov.on.ca</u>
- 2. How will you give thanks to God? You might want to make a thanksgiving donation to your favourite charity or to the missions. God has been good to you remember that.

OTHER THINGS TO REMEMBER:

- 1. The bride and her attendants SHOULD NOT have low cut, shoulder less or see through materials in their dresses. They SHOULD have a decent covering. Those not decently dressed might be asked to leave the church. **PLEASE REMEMBER THAT THIS IS A CHURCH**.
- 2. At St. Paul's we no longer use the Unity Candle.
- 3. Prepare your procession choice sheet and include a list of the participants including: one or two readers for the Readings and the Responsorial Psalm and one reader for the General Intercessions.
- 4. There should be **NO** confetti or rice etc., thrown in or outside of the church. Also **NO** fireworks should be used outside the church. Please, make this known to your guests.
- 5. Flowers are to be brought in between 10:00 am and 10:30 am on the day of the wedding. All flowers placed on the altar, if fresh, are to be left in church.

6. NO CARPETS ARE ALLOWED.

- 7. Keep to a minimum of ONE photographer and ONE videographer. Stick with professionals. Have your photographer/videographer check things with the priest. If the company you have chosen becomes an annoyance to the priest, they could ruin your whole day and they will no longer be welcome at St. Paul's. (*Please notify your photographer/videographer that movement is confined to one location only, and that they are not allowed in the sanctuary or the steps leading to it, except for the signing of the register at the end of the celebration. INFORM THEM ALSO THAT PICTURES ARE ONLY ALLOWED WHILE YOU AND YOUR BRIDAL PARTY ARE WALKING DOWN THE AISLE, DURING THE EXCHANGE OF VOWS, THE SIGNING OF THE REGISTER AND AT THE END OF THE CELEBRATION).*
- 8. Avoid small children in your wedding party (best over 6 or 7 years old); it might be your wedding ruined.
- 9. Contact the office at 416.767.7054 to obtain names and phone numbers of musicians associated with St. Paul's. All this is your responsibility to set up according to your own preferences. You may be asked to supply sheet music for special selections. **Music chosen should be appropriate to church celebrations.** Fees are to be discussed with the individuals hired. We strongly suggest you use our people, as outsiders must be confirmed by the office.
- 10. Include maps of how to get to the church with your invitations.
- 11. Confirm your wedding time before printing your invitations. The name of the church on your invites should read:

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