

St. Stanislaus Kostka Parish

WEDDING CHECKLIST

1) First, contact the parish and book an initial meeting with the pastor.

Our meeting:

DATE: _____ TIME: _____

During this meeting:

- Father will collect all pertinent information and interview you (fill out "Form 1")
- we will establish your "marriage eligibility" status (possible obstacles or delays)
- we will go through the process of marriage preparation
- we will **tentatively** set the wedding and rehearsal dates:

Tentative wedding date: _____ Time: _____

Tentative rehearsal date: _____ Time: _____

Dispensation required? NO YES (which one?) _____

If yes, is more time required? _____

Are other documents required? _____

ALL ITEMS COMPLETED?

2) Submit to the Parish Office all necessary documents:

- Recent copy of your Baptismal Certificate (*if not baptized at St. Stan's*): GROOM BRIDE

- Letter of Permission from your Pastor (*if you are not a St. Stan's Parishioner*): GROOM BRIDE

Other documents/information needed:

BRIDE: _____

GROOM: _____

3) Register for MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE – please visit:

<https://hamiltondiocese.com/office/pastoral-offices/family-ministry/preparation-for-marriage>

4) Our course: _____

Date: _____ Location: _____

Certificate of Completion brought in to Parish Office:

ALL ITEMS COMPLETED?

5) Complete the PREPARE – ENRICH couples’ assessment inventory online:

(Father will explain the details and register you for it)

Groom: Bride: Two

weeks after completion, contact Father and book a meeting to discuss your results

Our meeting at the office: Date: _____ Time: _____

ALL ITEMS COMPLETED?

6) Meet with the priest presiding over your wedding (not necessarily the pastor) to discuss the ceremony (ie. entrance procession, readings, gift bearers, etc.).

Our priest: _____

Date of meeting at rectory: _____ Time: _____

ALL ITEMS COMPLETED?

6) Meet with the organist to discuss music for your wedding.

/For your convenience, this meeting can take place before or after your meeting with the priest (#4), or in church before or after any of the Masses/

Date of meeting: _____ Time: _____

Location: _____

ALL ITEMS COMPLETED?

7) Approximately 3 months before the wedding date - obtain the “Marriage License” from your respective city hall and bring it with the original envelope to the Parish Office *no later than 2 weeks prior to the wedding*.

Marriage License obtained

Marriage License submitted to the Parish Office

ALL ITEMS COMPLETED?

8) Bring your wedding fees to the Parish Office (no later than 2 weeks prior to your marriage ceremony)

\$300 for *registered and regularly attending* parishioners

\$500 wedding fee for couples from outside of our parish or those who are registered but not attending regularly

Please contact the organist at least 3 months before the ceremony and discuss the details.

***The wedding fee does not include the stipend for the organist.**

On the occasion of your marriage, you are encouraged to make a donation to our renovation fund. *If paid by cheque: please make cheque payable to "St. Stanislaus Kostka Parish". For the additional offering for the Renovation Fund (separate cheque), please write "Renovation Fund" in the Memo. You may also include a note with your name and address if you wish to receive a tax receipt for this donation.*

Other possible expenses (at your request only)

\$ _____ additional altar servers

\$ _____ other (_____)

ALL ITEMS COMPLETED? <input type="checkbox"/>
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9) **SACRAMENTAL CONFESSION** (*if Catholic*) during the week preceding the wedding:

- During regular confession times (see bulletin) GROOM BRIDE

- By appointment GROOM BRIDE

- Other arrangement: _____ GROOM BRIDE

10) READY TO GET MARRIED?

Groom: YES YES

Bride: YES YES