

## Rules for Photographing Weddings

Photography is permitted within specified guidelines. Because a wedding is a Sacrament and sacred ceremony, the following rules will apply. They allow for appropriate coverage of the wedding, while eliminating distractions. The service begins with the processional music.

1. The photographer must report to the wedding church coordinator at least 30 minutes before the ceremony to review procedures and locations.
2. No flash pictures may be taken during the service or ceremony. No additional equipment to enhance the lighting of the sanctuary is permitted.
3. The entering procession may be photographed with flash only as it approaches the center aisle. The photographer may NOT be on the sanctuary floor at any time during the service and ceremony.
4. The entering procession may not be stopped for individual photos.
5. Pictures with no flash during the service and ceremony may be taken from the midpoint of the center aisle. The Church Wedding Coordinator will determine the exact location. The photographer may also use the rear choir loft/balcony, with permission.
6. As the couple return down the center aisle, flash photographs from the center aisle to the church exit are permitted.
7. After the ceremony, photographs may be taken under the direction of the Church Wedding Coordinator. The number of pictures that may be taken depends of the available amount of time remaining. The photography session following the wedding must finish 90 minutes after the scheduled beginning of the wedding. No exceptions can or will be made. We request that the wedding party remain silent, and that the photographer be as quiet and respectfully reverent as possible.
8. The Church Wedding Coordinator will show the photographer other suitable areas around the Church grounds that may be used for photographs.
9. The photographer and wedding couple understand that, if the rules are not respected, the Church Wedding Coordinator has the authority to ask the photographer to leave and photos will not be permitted.

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Detach and give signed form to Church Wedding Coordinator at pre-wedding conference

We and our photographer have read and understand the rules and regulations regarding photography.

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Bride's Signature

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Groom's Signature

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Print Photographer's Name

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Photographer's Signature