



Saint Gabriel the Archangel Catholic Church
32648 Cave Creek Road, Cave Creek, AZ 85331
Fr. Chad King, Pastor

Wedding Introduction

PARISH COUPLE MARRIAGE FORMATION

Congratulations on your engagement! Your wedding day is only the beginning of a lifetime commitment. Engaged couples - please contact the parish office nine to twelve months before your intended wedding date. You should plan to meet regularly during this period for marriage preparation. During this time, you will also meet the parish Wedding Liturgy Coordinator and the Assistant Music Director.

The various documents needed from you will be discussed, such as baptism certificates, certificates of completion from the diocesan Marriage Preparation programs, etc.

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The parish will help you with the diocesan marriage preparation, but here are the requirements. These include our own parish Marriage Life-Skills Course, God's Plan for a Joy-Filled Marriage Seminar, and Natural Family Planning Instruction. Please view all details here: <https://phxmarriageprep.org/marriage-prep-process/>

ARIZONA MARRIAGE LICENSE

This must be obtained by you and submitted to the parish office two weeks prior to the wedding.

WEDDING CEREMONY PLACES AND TIMES

Catholics recognize marriage as a sacrament and thus sacred. Subject to availability, we celebrate weddings in the church with a capacity of 1100 or, when available, in our chapel with a capacity 100. On Saturdays, the latest start time is 1:00 pm. No outdoor or non-church wedding venues are permitted by the diocese. Typically, a rehearsal is scheduled the day prior to the wedding.

WEDDING LITURGY COORDINATOR Camile Frisone is our parish representative who will meet with you to prepare the wedding ceremony, conducts the wedding rehearsal, and guides the placement of flowers, decorations, etc. Please get in contact with Camile at weddings.stgacc@gmail.com. If you have your own wedding planner, regarding the use of the church, they are subject to the parish staff involved in the event.

EXPENSES are all due prior to or at the rehearsal, except as noted

Church Fee - \$600.00 (50% non-refundable deposit due upon booking the date.)

You may pay online through our parish website at: www.stgacc.org.

Professional Fees (paid separately) – place in labeled envelopes, collected by Wedding Coordinator at rehearsal.

Assistant Director of Music / \$200

Cantor / Soloist: \$150 *or* Vocal Quartet Ensemble: \$400

Additional Instrumentalists: Fees established upon hire.

Wedding Liturgy Coordinator: \$200.00

Priest or Deacon: A personal offering is appropriate and appreciated.

Altar Servers: \$20.00 donation to each is appropriate.

MUSIC

Our parish Assistant Director of Music is responsible for all musical arrangements and serves as the typical musician for weddings. Music must always be in conformity with Catholic Theology, respect the practice of the parish, and maintain the religious nature of the sacred event. Secular and pre-recorded music are not permitted.

Musicians must be hired by our Assistant Music Director at least 60 days prior to the rehearsal. Please do not engage any soloists or other musicians prior to discussing them with the parish Assistant Music Director.

Order of Worship (Worship Aid)

If you would like your guests to have a quality *Order of Worship* for the ceremony, there is a flat fee of \$225 for preparation and printing. If the couple or family decides to do this on their own, their program/order of worship aid must be approved by our Assistant Music Director at least 30 days prior to the wedding.

PHOTOGRAPHERS/VIDEOGRAPHERS

The signed parish Photography Agreement must be received by the parish office 30 days or more prior to the wedding. Photography and videography are permitted outside of the altar area and are subject to the parish Wedding Liturgy Coordinator’s instructions. All photos/videos must be completed within 30 minutes of the ceremony.

FLOWERS AND DÉCOR

The signed parish Florist Agreement must be received by the parish office 30 days or more prior to the wedding. Placement of flowers must be approved in advance with the Pastor and/or the parish Wedding Coordinator.

The following are not permitted: aisle runners, rice, confetti, bubbles or birdseed, etc.

We, the undersigned, understand and agree to abide by the above instructions and standards.

Bride’ signature

Please print Bride’s name

Groom’s signature

Please print Groom’s name