

ST. NORBERT CATHOLIC CHURCH

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FOR YOUR PHOTOGRAPHER / VIDEOGRAPHER

WEDDING OF _____

DATE / TIME _____

A Catholic wedding is a sacred time in which the couple unites their love with the love of God. The church is a sacred place and nothing done in the church building or during the ceremony should ever detract from that reality. Everyone involved in the ceremony should have a prayerful and respectful manner. The following guidelines are to be observed by all photographers and videographers participating at weddings at St. Norbert Church.

1. The entire wedding party is expected to be at St. Norbert church at least thirty minutes prior to the scheduled wedding hour. This should be kept in mind when scheduling the home pictures of the bride and her attendants.
2. Upon your arrival at church, contact the Wedding Coordinator. She will be able to direct you to the areas where you may photograph the ceremony and answer any questions that you may have.
3. A **maximum** of TWO still cameras and TWO video cameras is permitted. Videographers may set up in front of the Blessed Sacrament Chapel and/or in front of the pillar in the choir section of the church. Videographers are asked to stay in place throughout the ceremony.
4. Observe the "line of sight" rule throughout the ceremony, which means, if the guests can see you, you're in the wrong place. To be specific, **avoid** the following areas:
 - any part of the tiled sanctuary
 - any area which requires you to walk up a step (even **one**)
 - inside the Blessed Sacrament chapel
 - in front of the center pews
5. Areas the photographer may use:
 - the back of the church
 - the center aisle, behind the last row of people
 - the side aisles, but not in front of the center section of pews
6. **THE USE OF PHOTO FLASH OR VIDEO SPOTLIGHTS IS NOT PERMITTED DURING THE CEREMONY.** Available light pictures may be taken during the entire ceremony.
7. Posed group pictures are permitted after the ceremony, as long as the church is vacated by the following times:

Wedding Time	Final Picture Time
10:00 a.m.	11:15 a.m.
12:00 noon	1:15 p.m.
2:00 p.m.	3:15 p.m.

Please remember that if your wedding does not begin on time, that will shorten the time available to you for pictures after the ceremony. During the time photos are being taken following the wedding, all are asked to remember that the church is sacred space and appropriate respect ought to be shown.

8. If in doubt, please refer questions to the Wedding Coordinator or priest/deacon.
9. St. Norbert Parish expects that all who work here act in a responsible, professional, and respectful manner and use their good judgment in observing the sacredness of the ceremony. Thank you.

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