

WEDDINGS at ST THERESA'S and ST JOSEPH'S Catholic Churches



Preliminary information for your Wedding at St Theresa's Catholic Church Sheffield St Joseph's Catholic Church, Handsworth

You have chosen to have your wedding here in one of our Catholic Churches. In order to be married in this church you must be;

1. One party must be a Baptised Catholic, Resident within the Parish/ or have the express permission of your Parish Priest/ Bishop (if you are resident outside the Diocese of Hallam to be married in this Church.
2. completed an application for marriage, a Marriage Preparation Course and have been interviewed by the Parish Priest.
3. You must not have been married or attempted marriage before in any other religious or non religious ceremony. (If this is the case inform the Parish Priest immediately upon enquiry)

Preparing for your Wedding Day can be long and demanding and in order to make things a little easier we have prepared this sheet for you to keep along with all your other wedding planning papers. It details some of the most fundamental things you need to take care of before your wedding ceremony.

What you need to do:

1. Contact the *Registry Office Tel; 0114 203 9423*. To acquire a Marriage Licence (Two pieces of Blue Paper) which must be given to the Parish Priest as soon as possible.
2. Register for Marriage Preparation with the Marriage Preparation Team. This is a course of at 7 sessions which must be completed prior to your Wedding.
3. Make an appointment to see the *Parish Priest* to discuss your wedding ceremony.
4. Make an appointment to see the *Director of Music* to discuss your Wedding Music
5. Make an appointment with the *Florists* here at St Joseph's/ St Theresa's to discuss your Wedding Flowers.

Things to Note:

Ask your Photographer to contact the Parish priest well in advance of your Wedding. Only your official Photographer may take photos during the Wedding Ceremony. Videos are to be arranged well in advance and are subject to additional fees due to performance rites on the music.

Wedding Attire

In Choosing your Wedding Attire (Wedding Dress Suits etc.) remember, they must be suitable to wear in Church. What may be deemed suitable for a registry office or Hotel, may not be appropriate for a Catholic Church.

Christian Marriage

Christian marriage is a sacrament and therefore before receiving this sacrament you ought to make a well-prepared Sacramental Confession and ask God to forgive the past and give you the strength to move forward for your future together.