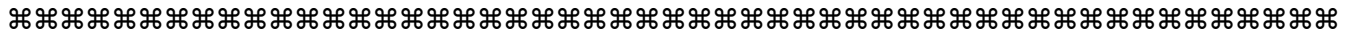


# **SAINT ANTHONY CHURCH**

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## **ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH IN THE STATE OF HAWAII**

### **Requirements for couples from Outside the Diocese Requesting Marriage in the Diocese of Honolulu**

- 1) Please contact your local parish priest to help with your marriage preparation. In the Diocese of Honolulu, attendance at the Engaged Encounter Weekend and sessions with your parish priest are required as part of your marriage preparation. It is strongly recommended that you attend the Engaged Encounter Weekend or its equivalent in your diocese.
- 2) The following documents are to be sent to the Chancellor's Office of the Diocese of Honolulu four (4) weeks in advance of your scheduled wedding day:

**Roman Catholic Church in the State of Hawaii  
Diocese of Honolulu – CHANCERY OFFICE  
1184 Bishop Street  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813-2858**

- a. A letter of recommendation from your parish priest that you are according to the marriage preparation guidelines of your Diocese.
  - b. Baptismal Certificates of the Catholic parties.
  - c. An affidavit of Freedom to Marry for each of you, signed by your parents, a relative or close friend and one from your priest stating you are free to marry in the Church.
  - d. Any required dispensations or permissions which are to be granted by your Diocese. The priest assisting you will be able to obtain these dispensations/permissions from your Chancery Office.
  - e. A Pre-Nuptial Investigation Form used in your Diocese should be filled out in full.
  - f. A letter of permission from the pastor or priest preparing you in accord with Canon 1115. (Letter should be sent to the parish priest that will officiate. Our pastor is Rev. Roland Bunda, S.M. and our associate pastor is Rev. Gerald Pleva, S.M.)
- 3) When all required documents are received by the Chancellor's office of the Diocese of Honolulu, a Nihil Obstat will be granted and all documents will be sent to the priest who will officiate at your wedding here in Hawaii.

- 4) Because the Church is our special home and place of prayer and worship, a wedding between two Catholics must take place in the church building. This is a unique place where we encounter our God in all the sacraments of the Church – in Baptism, Penance, Eucharist, Confirmation and now Matrimony. Therefore, a wedding between two Catholics outside the Church building is not permitted by the Diocese of Honolulu.
- 5) For valid reasons (i.e. respect for the non-Catholic party and their family and friends), a request for a wedding between a Catholic and non-Catholic outside of the Church building may be made to the Chancellor's office of the Diocese of Honolulu. A letter of request should be sent to the Chancellor's office in Hawaii along with the above mentioned documents explaining the reason(s) for the request.
- 6) You should obtain your marriage license as soon as you arrive on Maui. The cost is \$50 (cash only). There are no blood tests required. You will need to show a form of picture identification at the time you apply for your license. We suggest you call to make an appointment several weeks before your arrival. On Maui, please call the Hawaii State Department of Health – Marriage License Division at (808) 984-8210. Licensing agents are extremely busy. Once you arrive and have obtained your license, please call the parish office at 244-4148 for an appointment. Please bring your marriage license with you.
- 7) Please contact the priest/deacon who will officiate at your wedding here in Hawaii to reserve the church for the rehearsal and wedding. The following information should also be sent to the priest here in Hawaii (please use the form at the bottom and print or type the information).
  - a. Your name, address, home and work phone number of your mainland address.
  - b. Your fiancée name, address, home and work phone number.
  - c. The name, address, home and work phone number of a relative or friend who we can contact here in Hawaii or the name of the hotel or condominium where you intend to stay.
  - d. Your date of arrival on Maui.
  - e. The type of ceremony: Nuptial Mass or Vow Exchange only.
  - f. The names of your witnesses for the Certificate of Marriage.
- 8) Please arrive with enough time before your scheduled wedding and make an appointment during our business hours to meet with the priest or deacon who will be officiating at your wedding to go over the final details for your ceremony.
- 9) There are lovely tropical flower arrangements in our worship area all year round and gardens and flowers are always in bloom here on our parish grounds, great for picture taking. We ask that you not remove these floral arrangements; however, you are free to add whatever you may like.
- 10) A donation of \$500 is for the use of the Church and the Celebrant's services. You may wish to add gratuity for the priest.
- 11) Photos and video may be taken provided the photographer/videographer is unobtrusive.
- 12) Each couple will be responsible for contacting a musician for their wedding. Musicians are not provided by St. Anthony Church.
- 13) Please do not allow your guests to throw rice, release balloons, blow bubbles, etc.

- 14) When you arrive on Maui, please call the Parish office at 244-4148 and give us phone numbers that Father can contact you with to schedule an appointment to meet with him before the wedding.
- 15) Should your plans change and you are cancelling the wedding, please call or write as soon as possible to let us know.

Thank you again for your interest in our parish. We hope this information will help you in your plans. We look forward to having you share this special time with us. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions.

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## Wedding Information Request

Bride's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
City State Zip code

Groom's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
City State Zip code

Requested Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Time: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Best Man: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Maid/Matron of Honor: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Arrival on Maui: \_\_\_\_\_

The name, address, home and work number of a relative or friend who we can contact here in Hawaii or the name of the hotel or condominium where you will be staying while on Maui.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
City State Zip code Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please print or type the above information and return by mail to the above address or you may fax it to us at (808) 242-9375**