

## Sacrament of Holy Matrimony General Guidelines

Clergy are advised to make the following provisions for all persons who request the sacrament of holy matrimony or a blessing of a civil marriage:

Premarital preparation or similar holy conversation for a blessing of civil marriage
Signing of the Declaration of Intention by the couple
Request of the bishop for remarriage or blessing of civil marriage after divorce
Signing of the marriage licenses by the officiating minister
Entry of the marriage or blessing in the parish register
Parish policies with regard to use and availability of facilities.