

REHEARSAL:

A rehearsal is usually helpful. It allows those in the wedding party to become familiar with the public roles they will assume in the Church. It is encouraged that all involved in specific roles at the wedding attend the rehearsal.

FEES:

The fee for the use of the Church is \$ 300.00 a deposit of \$100.00 is required at the time of booking. This fee is for the Celebrant, administration costs, and for the running costs of the Church (not the musician, which is separate).

An additional fee for a visiting Priest should be paid directly to him.

GENERAL ENQUIRIES:

There may be other matters you would like to know about. If so, please contact the parish secretary at the Church office on **(07) 4933 6171** between 9:00am and 2:00pm weekdays.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES:

Australian Catholic Marriage and Family Council:

<http://www.acmfc.org.au>

Go to: **PUBLICATIONS**

then: **DOCUMENTS**

then: ***Getting Married in the Catholic Church***



CAPRICORN COAST CATHOLIC PARISH

Sacred Heart Church - Yeppoon
Mary Immaculate Church - Emu Park

Your Marriage

INFORMATION BOOKLET



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CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations on your forthcoming marriage and your choice of **SACRED HEART CHURCH YEPPON** or **MARY IMMACULATE CHURCH EMU PARK** for your wedding.

The following information will help with your planning and also ensure that your wedding day is all that you dreamed it to be.

BOOKINGS AND TIMES FOR WEDDINGS:

It is Diocesan policy that a wedding be booked six (6) months in advance. A wedding can be celebrated on any day of the week. Saturday is the most popular.

On Saturday, the latest time for a wedding is 3.30pm. If two (2) or more weddings are booked for the same day – one and a half hours separates the booking times.

PREPARATION:

Once again it is Diocesan policy that couples participate in some form of marriage preparation. This should also be organised at least six (6) months prior to your wedding.

This will be explained to you by the priest and you will be offered preparation that best suits your situation.

DOCUMENTATION:

There are both Government and Church papers to be completed before your marriage. You will need to provide your **Birth Certificates** (obtainable from the Registrar of Births, Marriages and Deaths) and your **Baptismal Certificates** (from the parish churches where you were baptised).

CEREMONY:

The wedding ceremony is the formal occasion where you declare your love and exchange your vows before the community. The ceremony comprises Scripture readings, prayers, blessings and songs.

The Priest will help you to prepare a wedding ceremony that reflects your unique journey as a couple supported by your family, friends and parish community.

The Capricorn Coast Catholic Parish welcomes couples who share different faiths and congratulate them on their decision to begin their journey of marriage in the Catholic Church.

Please advise your family and guests that confetti and rice are **NOT** to be used in or around the Church.

MUSIC:

Music adds beauty and joy to your ceremony. We encourage you to choose music in which all present can easily participate.

The music chosen also needs to be appropriate for the community at prayer on this joyous occasion.

A list of acceptable music is given with this information sheet.

You are invited to contact a musician of your choice who will assist you in selecting music.