

Requirements for Weddings in St Joseph's Parish

As you are aware your decision to marry is one of the most important and far reaching ones you will ever make in life. It is a decision to live a shared life. We believe it is also a decision that is blessed by God. The wedding ceremony celebrates your love and the love of God who brought you together. So we in the church have a real interest in you and your life together. We want to support you in the decision you have made.

- Please phone the office on 07 5441 1034 to arrange an appointment with the Priest or Deacon to arrange your wedding administration. The office is open 8:30am – 2:00pm Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. We are closed Tuesdays.

It is particularly important that you take part in some form of pre-marriage education. It is one of the requirements of marriage in the churches in our Deanery that couples first of all participate in one such program. Most couples find them helpful and an enjoyable experience. Deacon Tim Shanahan of St Joseph's Parish, is a fully qualified pre-marriage education facilitator whom is happy to assist you. Alternatively Brisbane Centacare runs a pre-marriage full day course on a Saturday, phone 07 3252 371. Online opportunities are available at <https://smartloving.org/engaged/>

Prior to your meeting with the Priest or Deacon, please return your completed pre-wedding information forms. You will also need to provide for photocopying...

1. **original birth certificates**
2. **copies of certificates of Baptism**

ST JOSEPH'S WEDDING SUGGESTED OFFERINGS AND CONTRIBUTIONS TO YEAR END 2019:

- **Suggested offering Administrative expenses: \$250**
Payment is to be posted or presented to the Parish Office on the occasion of your interview with the priest. No booking is confirmed until payment has been received.
 - Paperwork/photocopying/postage, government requirements, marriage certificate

BOOKING - ST JOSEPH'S PRIEST or DEACON:

- **Suggested offering: \$300** (+ \$50 for travelling/associated costs if ceremony is off-site from the church.)
- **To be paid to parish office or direct to Priest or Deacon by date of Wedding Rehearsal please.** (If paying by cheque, please make the cheque out in the name of the Priest concerned)
- Includes: Appointments, rehearsal and Wedding Liturgy

PRE-MARRIAGE COURSE:

- Includes...
 - Appointments
 - Offering determined by whom you choose to do the course with.
- **ST JOSEPH'S PARISH BANK DETAILS FOR ELECTRONIC BANK TRANSFER OF OFFERINGS:**
 1. St Joseph's Catholic Parish Nambour BSB 064 786 ACCOUNT NO: 329 186 001
 2. Please reference your name and nature of transaction.
 3. Please email confirmation of transfer at the time of transfer to stjoenam@ozemail.com.au

WEDDING BOOKLET:

- *St Joseph's Office is equipped to complete your wedding booklet with your unique photograph included. Prices commence at 2.95 per booklet, increasing depending on stationery selected and content. Please speak with Cecilia regarding your Wedding Booklet.*

Suggested offerings are set to December 31st, 2019

Please do not hesitate to contact the Parish Office (5441 1034)

if you have any further queries.