Wedding Procedures :

1. Watch/View these videos for your info regarding catholic marriage:
https://youtu.be/qcnBS9JNXH4?si=HhUrHodwdd0gVxv7

https://youtu.be/vZTLWbGeoJw?si=2QIusN8WM_j7rmlC

There will be an interview based on these videos.

Note: Wedding Date must be 12-18 months after the couple's meeting with the priest or deacon.

2. Fill out Parish Marriage In-Take Form with Olga via Phone or In-Person
https://calendly.com/olga-sfaconcord/

wedding-baptism-quince-event

3. Couple Assessment
Make an Account
https://share.google/4x3Rs0h9sp5ZbwTCh

4. Secure Certificates of Baptism (6 month current) and Confirmation (if confirmed) before your appointment with a clergy

*** Permission from Pastor if parish is not St. FRANCIS

*** If couple's diocese is outside the diocese of Oakland, paperwork must be done in their own parish and diocese.

*** Dispensation Form if marriage is with non-Catholic or unbaptized or from a different religion

*** If EITHER ONE OR BOTH IS married civilly and divorced PREVIOUSLY, please meet the priest Form D (Lack of Form Case). NO DATE SHALL BE RESERVED WITHOUT THE APPROVAL OF TRIBUNAL.

5. Meet a clergy for Form A
*** online (If not possible in-person)

6. After FORM A Interviews, Book for a Marriage Preparation seminar online or Diocesan or parish couple's ministry

REQUIRED RETREAT (2 day Retreat)

Marriage Preparation
***Attend 6 Marriage Prep Sessions
Call Office or email Olga for dates and Times at olga@sfaconcord.org

***Attend 1 Day Retreat https://oakdiocese.org/marriage-preparation (Hybrid)

OPTION B. ON-LINE (Espanol y English)
1.https://themarriagegroup.com/the-marriage-catechumenate/?srsltid=AfmBOorsYW3_hwFjpB_Qqys026KVDGT6OXoCwDeyAvyH52n4yCxjJu44

2. https://sfarch.org/ministries/marriage-and-family-life/

3. Catholic Marriage Prep - Online Mentor-Led Pre-Cana Classes https://share.google/cUpZuTyalYsgSDmxk

Spanish
1. SFA Platicas Pre-Matrimoniales
Call - Deacon Victor at +14157862180 or
Email - victor13herrera@gmail.com o

Padre Carlos Ortiz Fr. Carlos Ortiz at frcarlos@sfaconcord.org or use Appointment Link/ Enlace para hacer una cita con Padre Carlos https://calendly.com/frcarlos-sfaconcord

REQUIRED FOR YOUNG COUPLES:
FAMILY PLANNING SEMINAR

Please visit this website:
https://oakdiocese.org/nfp-instructors
Or
https://ccli.org/myparishnfp/?mc_cid=ec2ab6ee65&mc_eid=4baf4c9cc8

7. Reserve the date and pay downpayment with Parish Secretary (if necessary)

8. Form B Interview (for your parents or any members of your family who knows

you well for many years). This can be done via xoom or phone or in person.

9. Apply for Marriage License at the County Office at least 45 days before the day of the Wedding (not for a convalidation case since couple is civilly married)

Alameda County
https://www.acgov.org/auditor/clerk/ml.htm

Or

Contra Costa County
https://crsecurepayment.com/MarriageKiosk/

10. 30 Days before the scheduled wedding

our coordinator will call or meet you for your Liturgy Planning

Coordinator: Francisca at sfacoordinator@gmail.com

11. Attend a Rite of Bethrotal in the church scheduled by the office

12. Important Notes/Reminders:
***Fyi for wedding music. We follow the highest standard of church liturgical music. We allow outside musicians to help you but all music and liturgy be reviewed by our office. There is a professional fee that will be charged by our office for bringing outside musicians. Non- Liturgical Music is prohibited.

***Fyi for Attire of the Bride and Bride's Maid Please follow this link for

suggestions for appropriate attire for church wedding: https://youtu.be/SPvByg3VJKg?si=dr7pwYZmAyAUQ5Mv

***FYI. No drinking of alcohol on the day of the wedding. Intoxication or being drunk on the day of your marriage could invalidate your marriage vows and consent.

Silence: Observe Silence inside the church.

Arrival: Arrive early 30 minutes before scheduled Mass and before rehearsal.

Payment for Church: Must be paid in full 1 month before the scheduled date. 30% downpayment is non-refundale if Mass is canceled.

Coordinator Communication: 2 weeks

before the Scheduled Rehearsal, the coordinator will call for reminders and check-in

***Planning your Catholic Wedding https://www.catholicweddinghelp.com/topics/order-wedding-with-mass.htm

***For more info visit this link to reach out to me:

https://calendly.com/frcarl-sfaconcord/blessings

Thank you so much! It is our pleasure to journey with you! Blessings!

Fr. Carl ARCOSA
Pastor

CONVALIDATION CASE ONLY/ Church Blessing

Wedding Procedures at St. Francis of Assisi:

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There will be an interview based on these videos.

Required Couple Assessment
Make an Account
https://share.google/4x3Rs0h9sp5ZbwTCh

Note: Convalidation Date must be 8-12 months after the couple's meeting with the priest or deacon.

2. Fill out parish intake form
Email: Olga@sfaconcord.org or carol@sfaconcord.org

3. Secure Certificates of Baptism (6 month current) and Confirmation (if confirmed)

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Thank you so much! It is our pleasure to journey with you!

Fr. Carl ARCOSA
Email: frcarl@sfaconcord.org

Mixed Marriage Case

A mixed marriage is a marriage between a Catholic and a non-Catholic Christian. The Catholic Church discourages mixed marriages, but it does allow them with a dispensation.

Dispensations

- The Catholic party's bishop or ordinary must grant the dispensation
- The Catholic party must promise to do all in their power to raise children Catholic
- The non-Catholic party must be made aware of the Catholic party's promise
- Both parties must be taught about the purpose of marriage

Reasons for discouragement

- Mixed marriages can cause pain for the spouses
- They can set a bad example for children
- They can make it difficult for the Catholic party to raise children Catholic

Obtaining a dispensation

To obtain a dispensation, the Catholic party should consult with their parish priest.

Other considerations

- It's forbidden to have a second religious ceremony or one ceremony performed by ministers of different faiths
- Some couples choose to worship separately and share what they learn from their services

Thank you!

Disparity of Cult Case

A disparity of cult marriage is a marriage between a Catholic and a non-baptized person. The Catholic Church considers such marriages invalid without a dispensation from the bishop.
Explanation

- A disparity of cult is a diriment impediment, meaning it's a reason why a marriage can't be valid without a dispensation.
- The dispensation is a more rigorous form of permission given by the local bishop.
- The union between a Catholic and a non-baptized spouse is not considered

sacramental.
- The Catholic party is bound to sign the usual promises.
- The dispensation can be granted if there is no danger of the Catholic party losing their faith.
- The dispensation can be granted if there is the founded hope of a happy marriage.

Related canon law

- Canon 1086 §1 states that a marriage is invalid if one of the spouses was baptized in the Catholic Church.
- Canon 1124 states that marriage is prohibited between two baptized persons, one of whom belongs to a Church not in full communion with the Catholic Church.