

THE WEDDING CEREMONY

The priest will assist you in the planning of your wedding ceremony or Nuptial Mass. You will be given the opportunity to choose readings, prayers etc. If you are planning to have a booklet, this should be prepared well in advance.

Please discuss all aspects of the photographing and/or making of a video of your marriage with the priest. We do request that guests be informed that confetti, rose petals and rice are not to be thrown. Thank you for your co-operation.

It is important to arrange a practice for the wedding. This is best done during the week before your wedding. Please book the Church through the priest or with the Parish Office.

PREPARATION OF THE CHURCH

FLOWERS

Members of our altar society are happy to assist you with arranging the flowers for your wedding (Anita on 9662 8889) Should you wish to arrange your own florist, we request that you still contact Antita to discuss the coordination of the Altar and the flowers.

MUSIC

You may organise your own singers or musicians. Should you need help please contact someone from the following list who may be able to assist you

ORGANISTS

Brenda Maher.....	9665 6425
Andrea Lloyd	9661 5483
Matthew Ryan.....	9661 5010
Brent Egan	9560 0455
Susan Morris	9314 6042
Carlie Rohanna	9665 3469

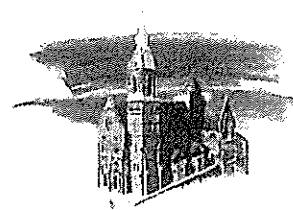
SINGERS

Chantal Sneddon	9398 7159
Robyn Ross	9398 6477
Una Smith	9315 8530
Dominique Smith.....	9661 9912
The Smith Sisters.....	9316 4442
Vanessa Fallon	9665 7121
Anne Merchant	9344 7423
Bernie Quinn	0403092715
Bel Cantare Choir	0438456259



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Planning your Wedding

We join with your family and friends in congratulating you and wishing you all the very best for your wedding.

As you approach the Church community to arrange the details for the preparation of your wedding, there are some points that will help if you keep them in mind:

In approaching Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Church, you acknowledge:

- ♥ Your faith is important to you
- ♥ The importance of understanding the Sacrament of Marriage
- ♥ Preparation for your marriage is an important part of your planning.

With these in mind, this document is meant to be of assistance as you begin the preparation for your wedding day and the rest of your married life.

DOCUMENTATION

DOCUMENTS YOU NEED TO PROVIDE

- ♥ Your Birth Certificate, an extract of Birth Certificate or a current passport.
- ♥ Your Baptismal Certificate— a recent copy, not more than 6 months old, is required. People who were baptised at Randwick do not need to obtain a Baptismal Certificate.

DOCUMENTS THAT HAVE TO BE COMPLETED

- ♥ Notice of Intended Marriage (Government)
The priest has copies of this and will assist you in completing the form
- ♥ Prenuptial enquiry (Church)
The priest will complete this form, which you will sign.
- ♥ Dispensation Application (Church)
If one party is not a Catholic this must be completed.
The priest will complete the form which the Catholic party then signs
- ♥ Statutory Declaration (Government)
Declaration of your freedom to marry made prior to marriage

PREPARATION COURSES

The need for some form of preparation for marriage is recognised by the Church community and hence it is compulsory for anyone wishing to get married in the Church.

There are several forms of preparation available. Among them are:

- ♥ Centacare Marriage Preparation Courses
- ♥ Catholic Engaged Encounter
- ♥ Together as One



The priest will have details of these and other courses offered in Sydney.

A PRIEST FOR YOUR MARRIAGE

Where there is one of you from Randwick Parish you may:

Approach the Parish Priest and request that he appoint one of the priests to officiate at your marriage on the day of your choice, providing the Church and the priest are available on that day.

PEOPLE WHO LIVE BEYOND THE PARISH BOUNDARIES ARE ASKED TO PROVIDE THEIR OWN PRIEST BUT ARE WELCOME TO USE THE CHURCH

With regard to the recompense for the priests services, it is suggested that you consider remuneration in the order of payment made currently to civil celebrants for such services.

BOOKING THE CHURCH

All bookings must be made through the Parish Office at least six months prior to the request date.

**~ MARRIAGES ARE HELD ON SATURDAYS AT 2pm AND 4pm ~
WITH THE EXCEPTION OF EASTER SATURDAY**

With respect to religious services at OLSH Church, there is no prescribed fee but it is customary that an offering is made and this would be much appreciated. As a guide it is suggested that the offering on the occasion of a religious service such as a wedding would be as follows:

- ♥ For people who live within the parish—~~\$250~~ **500**
- ♥ For people who live outside the parish—~~\$500~~ **800**

In accordance with the legislation and ATO rulings, there is no GST payable for a religious service.

As OLSH is in demand for weddings, deposit or full payment at the time of the booking is required to avoid disappointment. If a booking is cancelled, this offering is refunded. Please notify us if you decide to cancel your booking or if you make any other significant change to your wedding plans.