

Congratulations!

Weddings are special times for brides and grooms, for their families and friends and for their parish community. The new beginning, the love, the promise and hope that weddings represent make their celebration a special and grace-filled time. The church welcomes its members to celebrate their weddings in the context of our prayer as Christians. Marriage is such an important event in Catholic life that we understand it as one of those seven unique encounters with God that we call sacraments.

Great care should be taken to see that the prayer surrounding this event is reverent, graceful & beautiful and open to the movement of the Spirit. Sacramental celebrations, including marriage, are always rooted in the scriptures so that we can be nourished and strengthened by the Word of God. Likewise, sacraments are always celebrated in the context of community and are rightly filled with song, prayerful gestures and, at times, silence.

In this spirit, Saint Gerald Parish provides information and guidelines for planning and celebrating weddings. Once you have had the opportunity to read and understand the information contained here, feel free to contact the parish office for an initial appointment to begin the process of marriage preparation.