

CHRIST THE KING CHURCH WEDDING GUIDELINES

DECORATIONS

The most important detail to convey to your florist is: **Only ribbon or fabric may be tied to the pews.** Nothing may be attached to the pews using plastic covers/ clips, tacks or adhesives of any kind.

For safety reasons, we request that you **do not use a runner** – they are slippery and can easily cause people to fall. Again, for safety reasons, fresh flower petals, rice, confetti or birdseed are not permitted to be thrown. Bubbles outside on the lawn only.

Placement of flowers – You (or your florist) are responsible for laying out your flowers. Likewise, if you would like to take them home or to your reception site that is fine. We do not require you to leave them. Just be mindful that confessions are heard at 4:15 and Mass at 5 p.m. Saturdays, so you will want to assign someone to gather flowers immediately following your wedding. If any of our altar pieces are moved, *we kindly request that you move those pieces back into place when you remove your flowers.*

FEES

Wedding Mass or a Service without a Mass

- a. Up to 75 minutes of a service is \$500.
- b. Each additional hour of service time is \$100.

Music

- a. Singers' and instrumentalists' fees are set in discussion with the music director.

CLERGY SUITABILITY

1. If a visiting priest or deacon will conduct your wedding and he is inside the Diocese of Camden, we do not need any paperwork.
2. If he is inside the State of New Jersey but outside the Diocese of Camden, we need to see his priest or deacon card. An emailed picture of it before the celebration is sufficient.
3. If he is outside the State of New Jersey, we need a letter of suitability. This should be sent to us before the celebration. This is typically hardcopy postal mailed to the office.

REHEARSAL

Couples typically schedule a rehearsal for themselves, their wedding party and the priest or deacon who will conduct the wedding in the late afternoon on the business day before the date of the wedding in the church. *If not using CTK clergy please contact the office to schedule.*

RESOURCES

[Nuptial Mass Readings - For Your Marriage](#)