

GUIDELINES FOR WEDDING PHOTOGRAPHERS
AT EMMAUS CATHOLIC CHURCH/QUEEN OF ANGELS CHAPEL

Emmaus Catholic Parish/Queen of Angels Chapel
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Welcome to Emmaus Catholic Church/Queen of Angels Chapel. A wedding is a religious ceremony and the church is a sacred space, therefore, proper decorum is to be used when photographing in the church or chapel. We ask that only **traditional** pictures be taken in the sanctuary. In order to avoid delays, we recommend having a list of pictures to be taken.

After reading these guidelines, please sign and return a copy to the address shown above at least two weeks prior to the ceremony. **If you do not return this form prior to the ceremony, you will not be allowed to photograph the wedding.** You are expected to be aware of these guidelines and to abide by them.

Please remember that you will be seen by guests and should dress appropriately, preferably in dark clothing.

NO photographs may be taken inside the sanctuary prior to the ceremony. Also, no pictures may be taken in the central part of the entrance of the church so arrival and seating of guests is not interrupted. Pictures may be taken in hallways, bridal room or outside before the ceremony.

FLASH PICTURES:

- Are **not** permitted inside the church once the ceremony begins.
- May be taken of the groom and his party one hour before the ceremony
- May be taken of the bridal party one half hour before the ceremony.
- May be taken of the bridal party as they enter the church.
- May be taken of the bride and groom as they recess up the aisle after the ceremony.

During the entrance and closing processions and ceremony, the photographer and assistants must remain no more than 5 rows at Emmaus and 7 rows at Queen of Angels forward from the main entrance of the church. You must remain in the pew, not in the aisle. Please remain in this location during the ceremony. Movement around the sanctuary is not permitted. Do not stop the procession to take pictures.

After the ceremony, flash pictures may be taken in the sanctuary for 30 MINUTES ONLY. All items left in the church longer than 30 minutes after the ceremony will be left in the church's lost and found.

Pictures with the presiding priest or deacon must be taken first after the ceremony and he may have input regarding the pictures.

Emmaus - Light stands and umbrellas are not allowed in the church.

Queen of Angels – Light stands and umbrellas are allowed in the church **after** the ceremony.

No equipment of any kind may be placed in the church without permission.

The presiding priest, deacon and wedding coordinator are responsible for making sure these guidelines are followed. Emmaus Church keeps a list of photographers who abide by these guidelines. If the guidelines are not followed, the photographer will not be allowed to photograph weddings at Emmaus Church and/or Queen of Angels Chapel.

Signature

Phone#

Wedding party/date of wedding

Name of Company: