

**ST. JOHN FRANCIS REGIS CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
**P O Box 649, 232 Main St., Arnaudville LA 70512 \* 337-754-5912**

(Office Copy)

Revised August 17, 2023

**Wedding Agreement**

1. In addition to a \$100 deposit, a \$190.00 fee for parishioners (\$290 total) and a \$225.00 rental fee for out-of-parish renters (\$425 total) is required at the time the reservation is made. The church must be left in the same condition as at the time of rental, and the \$100 deposit shall be returned only after it has been determined as such. In case of cancellation, \$90.00 will be forfeited while the remaining balance will be returned to the renter.
2. The engaged couple is responsible for fulfilling all formation requirements as outlined by the Diocese of Lafayette, the pastor of St. John Francis Regis, and their chosen celebrant, which includes but is not limited to: (1) a Pre-Nuptial Inquiry, (2) completion of the online Prepare and Enrich Assessment, (3) attendance at a Natural Family Planning course, and (4) a marriage formation program. **Failure to complete these requirements can and will result in the postponement or cancellation of the wedding.**
3. The bride and groom are responsible for securing music for the wedding liturgy; please choose from one of the approved music ministers on the attached sheet. Any musician who is not listed must be approved ahead of time by the pastor. Note: recorded music, even to support live singing, is prohibited.
4. Please refrain from smoking, eating, drinking or chewing gum in church. Any person in the bridal party under the influence of alcohol or any other substance at the time of the wedding is subject to being excluded from the ceremony. Should the bride or groom be under the influence of any substance at the time of the wedding, the wedding will be cancelled.
5. If the bridal party exceeds 6 couples, there may be no procession of the party, and only the two witnesses may join the bride and groom in the sanctuary for the vows. The bride, groom, and bridal party are to dress modestly. That is, men's heads are to be uncovered while inside the church, and they are to wear at least long sleeve collared shirts with slacks. All dresses are to cover every part of the body at least from the upper chest to the knee.
6. Decorations must be picked up immediately after the ceremony. (Do not leave any flowers or boxes in the vestibule of church).
7. Flower petals, potpourri, excessive glitter, bird seeds, rice, etc... are not acceptable (in or out of church).
8. Pew decorations are only allowed to be hung with ribbons. (Tape, wires, tacks, or anything that will scratch the pews is not allowed).
9. The parish assumes no responsibility for any articles left in the building during an event or after an event is concluded.
10. Do not add or take out any flowers or bows in the floral arrangements which are the property of the church. Should you wish to use your own arrangements, please call the rectory prior to the wedding.
11. Do not take any items for any reason from church. Property of St. John Francis Regis Church is not allowed to leave the church. Church items are not to be taken out of the church for use in any other church-owned buildings. Renter is responsible for any items which are removed from the church during this rental period.
12. **I have read and agree to comply with the terms of this agreement as stated above**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Groom Signature**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Bride Signature**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Groom Printed Name**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Bride Printed Name**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Clergy Witness**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**

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**Office use only**

- ☐ **Registered Parishioners (\$190)**
- ☐ **Not registered/not domicile (\$325)**
- ☐ **Mass on Saturday evening (\$150)**
- ☐ **Not using Witness to Love (-\$90)**

**Total of all checked:** \_\_\_\_\_

<b>Amount Paid</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Check #</b>	<b>Remaining Balance</b>

**Proposed Date of Wedding:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Day of Week:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Time:** \_\_\_\_\_

**If a Saturday Evening:**

- ☐ **Alternate Clergy Secured to Perform Wedding**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**~OR~**

- ☐ **Substitute Priest Secured to Celebrate 6pm Mass at St. Catherine**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

- ☐ **All fees paid**
- ☐ **Pre-Nuptial Inquiry Completed**
- ☐ **Online Assessment Completed**

**Note: Church is reserved for the proposed date ONLY AFTER ALL APPLICABLE BOXES ARE CHECKED**

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3. For those wishing to have a wedding on Saturday evening with the pastor as their celebrant, they will be responsible for finding and covering the cost of a priest for the 6pm Mass at St. Catherine's Church. This amount would be approximately \$150.00 (\$100 for the priest and \$50 for the extra help required to set up the church)
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## **Approved Musicians: Arnaudville Catholic**

The following musicians are readily approved and recommended, and need no further clearance from me:

Dr. Rendell James	337-278-7390
Mr. Robert Noel	337-207-3186
Ms. Emily Ortego	337-945-5489
Ms. Laura Huval	337-344-3821
Ms. Debbie Leblanc	337-351-6799
Mr. Pat Menard	337-319-5744
Mr. Pat Melancon (instrument only)	337-332-4759
Mr. Kip Faulk	337-296-2474

-Fr. Travis Abadie

Pastor of St. John Francis Regis and St. Catherine of Alexandria Churches