

POLICY ON PLACE OF MARRIAGE

1. Marriages ordinarily are to take place in a parish church.
2. It is not allowed to celebrate a Catholic wedding in a non-Catholic Church or Chapel or in the Chapel of any religious house or Catholic School.
3. With a dispensation from canonical form, a marriage may take place in a non-Catholic church or synagogue. In the case of a Jewish ceremony, the custom of having the marriage in a hotel may be allowed. Generally, permission will not be granted for marriages to take place in outdoor settings or non-religious locations.

EXTERN PRIESTS

Please note that Extern Priests residing in the Archdiocese of St. Louis do not have the faculties of the Archdiocese until they have registered using the appropriate forms available from the office of the Chancellor or Vice Chancellor.

c) Saturday or Vigil celebrations: Wedding Masses or weddings may not be celebrated after 2:00 P.M. on Saturday afternoons or days preceding Holy Days. (Vid. Letter, Cardinal Carberry, December 28, 1976)