

**MUSIC** - Music beautifies all Liturgies and it will certainly enhance your wedding. The couple should arrange for the musicians. The following musicians are available.

Duquesnel, Robert	Pianist-Singer	714-484-5997
Huamani, Mayra	Spanish Youth Choir	323-315-8797
Jerome, Christina	Pianist-Singer - bi-lingual	562-587-3976
Jimenez, Art	Pianist-Singer - bi-lingual	562-842-5295
Mariachi (Garcia, Jesus)		562-832-7453
Romero, Jorge	Spanish choir	562-821-9539
Tan, James	Violinist - English only	323-205-5826

**VIDEOGRAPHY** - Photography and Videography are permitted during the ceremony. Please tell your photographer and/or videographer to check with the priest 15 minutes before the ceremony. Posed pictures are permitted if there is no other service scheduled following yours. Otherwise we suggest you take your group pictures in the garden area at the south side of the church, and at the reception.

**DECORATIONS** - Flowers and/or bow decorations on the pews are permitted, but you must arrange to have them removed immediately after the wedding. No tape or any type of nails or thumb tacks are permitted.

**SAFETY** - For reasons of safety, and cleanliness please do not throw rice, confetti, birdseed, flower petals, or any other material before, during or after the wedding.

### *Congratulations*

We are very happy that you are considering a closer relationship with Jesus by entering into the Sacrament of Matrimony. In preparation for the reception of your sacrament we will need to gather various documents, and participate in the Engaged Encounter Weekend, and/or other preparation programs. Each couple is unique and each preparation program is designed to help each couple prepare for the reception of their Sacrament. What follows are the general outline of what is needed to marry in our faith. The priest you are working with may judge that other additional steps may be necessary. Our goal is that you grow to the point that you are ready to make a life-long commitment to Jesus as a married couple, and to his Church.

We know that people come to the decision to marry in the church at all different levels of spiritual development. What is required at a minimum is that you are practicing your faith. If you are both Catholic would mean that you attend Mass each and every Sunday. It also means that as you are able and you are participating in the other sacraments; receiving Communion and going to confession. This is a time of transition and knowing this we can strongly encourage you to rededicate yourselves to Jesus and practice your faith fully and completely as you enter into the sacred mystery of marriage in Jesus Christ and his Church.

With love,

The Priests and People of Saint Hilary

**DOCUMENTS-** We need the following documents.

1. **Baptismal Certificate-** We need a new copy of your Baptismal Certificate issued by the church in which you were baptized. The one you have that was given to you after your baptism will be helpful in obtaining your new Certificate.

2. **First Holy Communion Certificate-** We can use your current certificate. If you like we will Xerox your original and return it to you.

3. **Confirmation Certificate-** Again, we can use your current certificate, we will Xerox your original and return it to you.

4. **Letters of Freedom-** We need testimony from two people, for each of you, who have known you for most of your life (usually your parents) to testify that you have never been married before. Father will give you these forms and decide with you what is the best way to get them filled out.

5. **Certificate of Completion-** We need the certificate of completion from the Engaged Encounter Weekend or Archdiocesan approved wedding prep course you attended.

6. **Marriage License-** (see last page) Your license is good for 90 days after it is issued. The Archdiocesan Marriage Tribunal has asked us to request that you obtain a regular license rather than a confidential one. As soon as you obtain your license, please call the rectory to schedule an appointment with the priest preparing your wedding. Never leave your license with a staff member or secretary.

Father \_\_\_\_\_ is scheduled to celebrate your wedding.  
The Church address is 5465 S Citronell Ave. Pico Rivera, CA. 90660

**Marriage Preparation Program-** The Archdiocese requires that each couple participates in the Engaged Encounter Weekend or other wedding preparation programs sponsored by the Archdiocese.

## **OFFERINGS**

The usual offering for the Church is \$400.00. Your donation helps Promote the work of Jesus as his church works in today's world.

1. We require a non refundable deposit of \$200.00 to hold the date you have requested. This should be paid on the first interview when your date and hour is set by the Father.
2. The \$200.00 balance is due at any time but no later than TWO Months prior to the wedding.

If you should decide to cancel please notify us immediately. If you have any questions at all please contact our secretary or the priest who is officiating at your wedding. (562) 942-7300.

## **REHEARSAL & CONFESSIONS**

The rehearsal is held on the week before the wedding. Our wedding coordinator will contact you to arrange for a time. Your priest celebrating the ceremony will not be at the rehearsal. If you need to contact the coordinator, Lydia Perez, you may do so by calling (909) 227-6994.

We strongly encourage all members of the family and wedding party to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Confessions are available on Saturdays from 4:00pm to 4:45pm and from 6:00pm to 7:30pm. You may also make an appointment for Confession by telephoning the rectory.

DEAN C. LOGAN  
 Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk

**REQUIREMENTS TO OBTAIN A MARRIAGE LICENSE**

**1. MARRIAGE LICENSE APPLICATION**

To apply for and obtain a marriage license on the same day, both applicants must appear together at the Office of the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk in Norwalk or at a district office to complete an application and have it submitted to the cashier no later than 4 p.m. (or 3:30 p.m. at District Offices). The processing time to complete the license is 1 hour. For same day service we recommend that you be at the office by 3 p.m. When applications are submitted after 4 p.m. at Norwalk or 3:30 p.m. at the District Offices, the couple may pick up the license together on the following business day.

**2. PROOF OF AGE**

A valid California I.D., driver's license, passport or alien resident card must be presented as proof of age. A certified birth certificate or baptismal record and a picture identification issued by a government agency will also be accepted for that purpose. Documents must be in English. If the document is in another language, it must be accompanied by a certified English translation. Documentation which has expired is not acceptable. Anyone under 18 must also provide a notarized parent or guardian consent statement and a Superior Court Order granting the minor permission to marry. Please call this office for more information about these requirements (562) 462-2137.

3. All persons previously married must present a copy of divorce/annulment papers if the event occurred within two years or less.

**4. MARRIAGE LICENSE REQUIREMENTS**

A. Regular Marriage License Fee: \$90

A marriage license is valid for 90 days from the date it was obtained. The marriage license can be used only within the State of California.

B. Confidential Marriage License Fee: \$85

Couple (not minors) must be living together as man and wife. A Confidential Marriage License is valid for 90 days and must be used in the county where it is issued. A confidential marriage license is not a public record. Information pertaining to the facts of marriage may only be obtained by one of the parties to the marriage.

**5. CIVIL CEREMONY Fee: \$25**

Civil marriage ceremonies are performed at the Norwalk Office Monday through Friday (except holidays) by appointment only. The Beverly Hills district office will schedule a ceremony on Thursday's by appointment only. The East Los Angeles, Florence-Firestone, LAX Airport and Van Nuys District Offices will schedule on Fridays by appointment only. You must bring your own witness for the ceremony, if using a regular marriage license. If the couple does not have a witness the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk will provide one for a fee of \$18.00. Please contact each office at the number listed below to schedule an appointment.

**6. LOCATIONS WHERE A MARRIAGE LICENSE CAN BE OBTAINED**

**NORWALK**

12400 Imperial Highway, Room 1002  
 Office Hours: 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.  
 (562) 462-2137

**LANCASTER**

1028 W. Avenue J2  
 Office Hours: 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.  
 (661) 945-6446

**BEVERLY HILLS**

9355 Burton Way, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor  
 Office Hours: 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.  
 (310) 288-1261

**CATALINA BRANCH COURT  
 (By Appointment Only)**

Avalon, CA 90704  
 Office Hours: 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.  
 Monday – Thursday  
 (310) 510-0026

**LOS ANGELES**

4716 E. Cesar E. Chavez Ave.  
 (Formerly Brooklyn Ave.)  
 Office Hours: 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.  
 (323) 260-2991

**VAN NUYS**

14340 West Sylvan Street  
 Office Hours: 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.  
 (818) 376-3700

**FLORENCE FIRESTONE**

7807 S. Compton Ave, Rm. 102  
 Office Hours: 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.  
 (323) 586-6192

**LAXAIRPORT**

11701 S. La Cienega Blvd., 6<sup>th</sup> Floor  
 Office Hours: 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.  
 (310) 727-6142

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