

CATHÉDRALE CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL

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au coeur de Montréal*

Diocèse de Montréal
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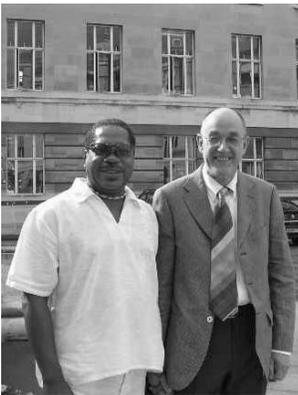


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Getting Married at CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL

Montreal



Application form

for a wedding or for a blessing after a legal ceremony

A wedding at Christ Church Cathedral

In coming to the Cathedral for your ceremony you will be celebrating in a place which has 150 years of history. The dramatic position downtown and the attractiveness of the architecture itself will add to the special character of the occasion. We, for our part, will do all we can to make your day enjoyable and memorable.

Christianity and Marriage

A wedding ceremony marks only the beginning of a marriage and is a public witness before God to the love that two people have for each other. A Church wedding makes certain themes clearer: the vows and covenant made between two people reflect the promises that God has made to bless the world; the idea of the 'sacrament of marriage' reflects how God works in and through our human relationships blessing us on our journey through life.

Marriages after a divorce

We understand that some marriages fail and here in the Anglican Cathedral we try to help people rebuild their lives in new relationships. If you have been divorced and would like to discuss the possibility of being married a second time in church please do not hesitate to speak to one of the clergy.

Same-sex Couples

Unfortunately it is not yet possible to perform the legal marriage ceremony for same-sex couples in the cathedral. However we will try to do all we can to help people celebrate their relationship together in other forms of ceremony after a civil marriage.

In order to be married in Christ Church Cathedral at least one of you must have been baptised in a Christian Church with water, in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Information

1. When to get married.

Legally a marriage can take place on any day of the week and must take place between 9am and 10pm. Most couples choose to get married on a Saturday some time between 10am and 4pm.

The wedding service normally lasts about 50 minutes with about 20 minutes of photographs afterwards.

Important note

Only once the booking has been taken and the deposit has been paid can we guarantee the availability of the church. We cannot guarantee which priest will officiate at the service as unforeseen events may necessitate an alteration.

2. Preparation.

You need to book an initial brief appointment as soon as possible with a member of the clergy.

One of the clergy will also want to meet with you over the four months before your wedding to discuss Christian marriage and the words of the service. If you do not live in Montreal you will have to visit Montreal before the wedding for preparation.

3. Rehearsal

This will be in the Cathedral during the week before the wedding. Please try to be on time as there might be another event in church immediately after the rehearsal.

It is important that Bride and Groom, Groom's Man and Bridesmaids, Bride's Parents (or the one(s) who will escort her into church) and any flower girls and page boys are present, but anyone else is very welcome to come along.

4. Parking

Parking is not available in the church grounds. We therefore recommend that your guests park on the parking meters in the streets near the Cathedral or in the underground car park off Union Avenue.

5. Music

You will need to choose music for your wedding. You will need music to come in to and music to go out by. You may want to choose hymns or music for the choir or singers to sing during the signing of the register. Except in extraordinary cases we do not allow recorded music, as our sound system is designed to amplify speech not music and the sound quality is rarely good.

You must contact the Director of Music, Patrick Wedd about two months before the wedding.

Important note

1. *by contract the cathedral organist has the right to play at your wedding, and to keep the organist's fee at all weddings where the Cathedral organ is used even if one of your friends plays the organ on the day. This is standard across all Anglican churches.*
2. *The Director of Music may not be free on the day of your ceremony and may find a substitute organist.*
3. *Although we will make every effort to provide a choir if requested we cannot ever guarantee a choir on any date.*

6. Flowers

Everyone's wedding is different and floral decorations vary enormously in colour, size and expense. All flower displays must be discussed with a priest and agreed well before the wedding.

Important note:

1. *Because of the historical quality of the building there are some restrictions on flowers. Only dry floral arrangement may not be attached to any of the pew ends, candles may not be used as part of floral decorations and in no circumstances can any arrangement ever be pinned, glued or attached to pieces of church furniture.*
2. *Large displays must not disturb the flow of the liturgy of the marriage service and the priest must be consulted about their location and has the final decision.*
3. *If more than one wedding takes place on one day it is very much hoped that the different wedding parties can agree on a shared floral display and share the cost.*

7. Photography

Guests will be allowed to take photographs as the bride or couple enter the church at the beginning of the service, and when the couple leave the church at the end of the service. They will not be allowed to take any photographs during the rest of the service.

The professional photographer (or designated photographer) will be allowed to take photographs throughout the service and must speak to the priest taking the service before the service begins. However the photographer must be discreet.

Video Cameras, whether professional or simply belonging to the guests, may not be used in church except with prior agreement as there are copyright and performing rights implications.

8. Confetti

Confetti (or rice etc) may never be thrown inside the cathedral or within the church doorway. Natural confetti (rose petals etc) may be thrown in the cathedral grounds. Please do not throw multicoloured paper shaped confetti within the cathedral grounds.

9. Being on time for your wedding

It is very important that your ceremony happens at the time arranged. There may be another event later on the same day, and musicians and other church staff may have other commitments later on in the afternoon. Therefore:

1. If you are more than 14 minutes late we may cut some of your music.
2. If you are more than 29 minutes late the choir will go home and will not sing for your wedding. You will not be refunded the choir fee.
3. If you are more than 44 minutes late the organist will go home and will not play for your wedding. You will not be refunded the organist's fee.
4. If you are more than 59 minutes late the wedding will be deemed to have been cancelled. You will not be refunded any of the fees you have paid.

10. What do you do next?

1. Please return this completed application form to the Cathedral Office. when we have agreed the wedding you will be asked to pay a non-returnable deposit of \$300

The Cost of the Wedding

Section A: Deposit

1. Administration Charge

This is a non returnable deposit to be paid at the time of booking the wedding.. **\$300**
Cheque made payable to "Christ Church Cathedral"

The following fees must be paid to the Cathedral Office at least one month before the wedding

Section B: Fees

2. Registration #	\$55
3. Cathedral fee	\$700
4. Clergy Honorarium	\$250
5. Verger	\$150

Section C: Fees for optional additions

6. Organist **\$250**

In cash in an envelope marked "organist" and marked with your name and the date of your wedding.

7. Singers **\$400 ***

Extra cost for soloists and additional musicians varies depending on circumstances.

Example: 4 singers in the region of \$400

8 singers in the region of \$800

Application Form

Please return this form to the Cathedral Office as soon as possible.

Christ Church Cathedral
1444 Av Union, Montréal, QC, H3A 2B8

The date and time of your wedding is not confirmed until this form is received and we have received your deposit and you have received written confirmation from us.

The Date and Time of the Wedding		
	The Groom	The Bride
Full Name as it appears on your Birth Certificate <i>(all middle names etc)</i>		
If you are known by other names please write them here.		
Where was your birth registered?		
Please attach a photocopy of <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. your birth certificate 2. the personal details page of your passports 		
Date of Birth and Age at Wedding		
Address at which you are living now.		
Address at which you will live together when you are married.		
Home tel. no		
Cell tel. no		
Email address		
Profession		
Marital status	<i>Single / Divorced / Civil union dissolved</i>	<i>Single / Divorced / Civil union dissolved</i>
Have you ever been married before, or had a civil union or partnership or PACS?		
<p>Also:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. If you have been married before and are divorced & your previous spouse is still alive please fill out the additional form. 2. Each of you needs to fill in a separate additional form for each of your previous marriages. 3. Please attach a photocopy of your divorce certificate and / or your final judgement. 4. The priest who marries you will need to see the original before the wedding. 		

Nationality		
Canadian Residency		
Are you related? <i>by birth or by marriage?</i>		
Your Father's full name <i>as it appears on his birth certificate</i>		
Your Mother's full name <i>as it appears on his birth certificate</i>		
Are you Anglican <i>If not, what denomination are you?</i>		
Are you baptized?	<i>year of baptism</i>	<i>year of baptism</i>
Where were you baptized		
Are you confirmed?	<i>year of confirmation</i>	<i>year of confirmation</i>

Please attach a photocopy of your baptism certificate and your confirmation certificate if you have one.

We would like to have the organist if possible

We would like to have a choir if possible

We accept the notes and conditions included in this form. We wish to be married to each other in Christ Church Cathedral according to the rites of the Anglican Church of Canada. I confirm that the information and answers given in and supplied with this form are correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. *(Please note: giving false information in order to get married is a criminal offence.)*

Signed

Signed

Date

Please make sure you have included the following documents:

- 1. photocopy of birth certificate
- 2. photocopy of personal details page of passport (or some other official photo-identity card)
- 3. photocopy of all divorce certificates and / or final judgements
- 4. photocopy of baptism certificate, and confirmation certificate.

For official use:

- 1. Mass No Mass
- 2. BAS BCP
- 3. Hymn Book needed
- 4. Own Brochure produced

- 5. Deposit Paid
- 6. All Fees paid
- 7. Organ required
- 8. choir required / soloist required

Additional Form for marriage after divorce

(each person who has been married before and divorced and whose previous partner is still alive must fill in one of the following forms)

Name	
Date and exact place of first wedding	
Have you been married before more than once? <i>(if so you will need to photocopy this form and fill it in for each of your previous weddings and divorces.)</i>	
Name of previous spouse	
Where does your previous spouse live now?	
Since when have you been living apart?	
Has your previous spouse remarried or formed a civil union / partnership	
When and where was your Divorce Decree Absolute granted	<i>Please attach a photocopy of the decree absolute to this application. The priest marrying you will need to <u>see the original</u>.</i>
Names and ages of any children	
Was there any scandal involved in the breakdown of your previous marriage?	
What does your previous spouse think about you marrying again?	
What do your children think about you marrying again?	
Have you ever been refused an application to be married in church? If so, where & when?	

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