

Diocese of Honolulu Prenuptial Investigation

Groom _____

Bride _____

Home phone _____

Home phone _____

Work phone _____

Work phone _____

Cell phone _____

Cell phone _____

Email _____

Email _____

Wedding date and time _____

Wedding in parish calendar

Wedding in personal calendar

Rehearsal date and time _____

Rehearsal in parish calendar

Rehearsal in personal calendar

Note: A wedding date is **never** to be set until it is certain that the couple is free to marry in the Catholic Church.

Witnesses _____

Celebrant _____

Parish _____

Baptismal records attached: For groom For bride

Catholics must obtain a new certificate from their parish of baptism or reception into full communion, showing notations and dated, signed and sealed within 1 year before the marriage. For baptized non-Catholics, any documentary proof of baptism is acceptable, including an affidavit by a witness to the baptism.

Affidavits of freedom to marry attached (one each): For groom For bride

From parents or others who have know the parties at least since the age of 16.

Documents regarding any prior or attempted marriages attached: For groom For bride

Certificate of Death of former spouse or Decree of Nullity for prior attempted marriage

Dispensations/permissions attached:

Mixed marriage/Disparity of cult Canonical form Prior Natural obligations Other [_____]

Engaged Encounter Weekend completed and proof attached

Marriage license obtained

Recording of the Marriage:

Marriage registered with Department of Health

Entered in marriage register of this parish:

Vol. _____ Page _____ Date _____

Baptismal register information for groom:

Entered in baptismal register of this parish: Vol. _____ Page _____ Date _____

Or notice sent to parish of baptism or reception into full communion:

Date sent _____ Date acknowledgment received _____

Baptismal register information for bride:

Entered in baptismal register of this parish: Vol. _____ Page _____ Date _____

Or notice sent to parish of baptism or reception into full communion:

Date sent _____ Date acknowledgment received _____

Each party must be interviewed separately. The pastor/delegate will ask the questions and write the response. The pastor/delegate, having reminded the party of the sacred character and binding force of an oath, will ask: **Do you solemnly swear to tell the truth and nothing but the truth in answering the questions that shall be submitted to you, so help you God and these holy gospels which you touch with your hand?**

Groom

1. Your name in full _____
Address _____
2. Your date of birth _____ Your place of birth _____
The conditions in the diocesan norms for marriage must be met for those under 18.
3. Father's name _____ Father's religion _____
Mother's maiden name _____ Mother's religion _____
4. Your religion _____
5. Are you baptized? _____ Denomination of church of baptism _____
Date _____ Church of baptism _____ City _____ State _____
If non-Catholic baptism and received into the full communion of the Catholic Church:
Date _____ Church of reception _____ City _____ State _____

Questions 6-9 are asked of Catholics only:

6. Name of your current parish _____ City _____ State _____
7. Are you a member of an Eastern Catholic Church? _____ If so, which one? _____
Ritual Church membership follows that of the person's father. (It follows that of the mother if only the mother is Catholic). A person retains Eastern Church membership even if baptized in a Roman rite ceremony. For the marriage to be valid, at least one of the parties must be a Catholic of the Latin (Roman) church. If not, consult the Office for Canonical Affairs to arrange delegation.
8. Have you received the sacrament of confirmation? _____
Date _____ Church of confirmation _____ City _____ State _____
If they can do so without serious inconvenience, Catholics who have not yet received the sacrament of confirmation are to receive it before being admitted to marriage (canon 1065 , §1).
9. How would you describe your practice of your religion? _____

10. Have you ever previously been married or attempted marriage, even a civil marriage? _____
If so, how many times? _____ *Attach a separate sheet with the information if more than twice.*

Prior wife #1? _____ Date of marriage _____
Place _____ Official _____

If prior wife #1 has died: Date of death _____ *Attach a copy of Certificate of Death.*

If prior wife #1 is still living: *An ecclesiastical Decree of Nullity or Dissolution must be attached.*

Note the decree's protocol number here _____

Prior wife #2? _____ Date of marriage _____
Place _____ Official _____

If prior wife #2 has died: Date of death _____ *Attach a copy of Certificate of Death.*

If prior wife #2 is still living: *An ecclesiastical Decree of Nullity or Dissolution must be attached.*

Note the decree's protocol number here _____

Groom continued

- 11. Are you bound by any natural obligations to a former wife/partner or to any children? _____
Evidence of fulfilling natural obligations must be supplied before marriage can be permitted (canon 1071).
If so, explain how you are fulfilling these obligations? _____

- 12. How long have you known your intended wife? _____ Date of engagement? _____
- 13. Has your intended wife ever been married or attempted marriage, even civilly? _____
If so, with whom? _____
- 14. Are you already related to your intended wife by blood, by marriage or by legal adoption? _____
If so, explain _____
- 15. Do you or your intended wife have any physical, emotional or psychological conditions which
may seriously affect your marriage? _____ If so, explain _____

- 16. Have you ever been ordained or made a public promise to God not to marry? _____
- 17. Are you marrying your intended wife freely? _____
- 18. Are you feeling pressure of any kind to marry at this time? _____
If so, explain _____
- 19. Are you attaching any conditions, restrictions, or reservations to your consent to marry? _____
If so, explain _____
- 20. Do you intend to enter a permanent marriage that can be dissolved only by death? _____
- 21. Do you intend to always be faithful to your wife, exclusive of all others? _____
- 22. Do you understand that one of the purposes of marriage is the procreation and raising of
children, God willing? _____ Do you accept and intend to fulfill this purpose of marriage? _____
- 23. Is there any major fact about you, either in the present or in the past, which you have not made
known to your intended wife, that might affect her willingness to marry you? _____
If so, explain _____

Signature of pastor/delegate Date Signature of groom Date

Parish Seal

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Bride

- 1. Your maiden name in full _____
Address _____
- 2. Your date of birth _____ Your place of birth _____
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- 3. Father's name _____ Father's religion _____
Mother's maiden name _____ Mother's religion _____
- 4. Your religion _____
- 5. Are you baptized? _____ Denomination of church of baptism _____
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Place _____ Official _____

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If prior husband #1 is still living: *An ecclesiastical Decree of Nullity or Dissolution must be attached.*

Note the decree's protocol number here _____

Prior husband #2? _____ Date of marriage _____

Place _____ Official _____

If prior husband #2 has died: Date of death _____ *Attach a copy of Certificate of Death.*

If prior husband #2 is still living: *An ecclesiastical Decree of Nullity or Dissolution must be attached.*

Note the decree's protocol number here _____

Bride continued

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21. Do you intend to always be faithful to your husband, exclusive of all others? _____
22. Do you understand that one of the purposes of marriage is the procreation and raising of children, God willing? _____ Do you accept and intend to fulfill this purpose of marriage? _____
23. Is there any major fact about you, either in the present or in the past, which you have not made known to your intended husband, that might affect his willingness to marry you? _____
If so, explain _____

Signature of pastor/delegate

Date

Signature of bride

Date

Parish Seal

Validation/Convalidation

Complete the following concerning the existing civil or non-Catholic religious marriage:

Date _____

Place _____

Official _____ Title of official _____

Attach a copy of the civil marriage certificate.

Dispensation from disparity of cult

Marriage involving a Catholic and an unbaptized person requires dispensation from disparity of cult and is always celebrated outside Mass. Attach the dispensation.

Permission for a mixed marriage

Marriage involving a Catholic and a baptized non-Catholic requires permission for mixed marriage. Attach the permission.

Mixed marriages are not normally celebrated within Mass.

Permission for a marriage involving a party with prior natural obligations

Marriage involving a party with prior natural obligations to a former spouse, former unmarried domestic partner, and children requires that one's existing obligations are being met before permission is granted. Proof does not need to be submitted with the permission request but may be attached to this form.

Dispensation from canonical form

The marriage is recorded in the register of the parish of the Catholic party and notice is sent to the Catholic party's parish of baptism or reception into full communion. Attach the dispensation.

Permission for a parishioner to be married at another Catholic parish

If this marriage is to be celebrated at another Catholic parish, a proper pastor (or parochial vicar) of either Catholic party may sign below, *or* a similar statement may be attached from a proper pastor.

I grant permission to _____ to be married at
_____ parish in the city of _____.

Signature of pastor

Date

Delegation of a priest or deacon to officiate at a marriage within this parish

If a priest or deacon from outside the parish is to officiate at this marriage, the following is to be signed by the pastor (or parochial vicar or deacon with general delegation).

As required by canon 1111, I hereby delegate _____ to officiate in this parish at the marriage of the couple designated in this premarital investigation.

Signature of pastor

Date

Diocese of Honolulu Affidavit of Freedom to Marry For Groom

Please mail to:

Church of marriage _____

Address _____

City _____ HI Zip _____

Name of groom _____

*From a parent or other person who has know the groom
since he was at least 16 years of age*

**Oath: Do you solemnly swear before Almighty God to tell the whole truth and
nothing but the truth in answering the following questions? _____**

Print your name _____

Your address _____

Your relationship to groom _____

I hereby attest that I have known the above stated groom since he was at least 16 years of age and that he
(check one of the following):

has never been married before.

has been married _____ time(s) before to the following (include all marriages, civil and religious):

To your knowledge, is he free to marry? _____

To your knowledge, is he marrying freely? _____

To your knowledge, does he intend to remain faithful in a lifelong union? _____

Do you know of any reasons why he should not be married? If so, explain. _____

Your signature _____ Date _____

Diocese of Honolulu Affidavit of Freedom to Marry For Bride

Please mail to:

Church of marriage _____

Address _____

City _____ HI Zip _____

Name of bride _____

*From a parent or other person who has know the bride
since she was at least 16 years of age*

**Oath: Do you solemnly swear before Almighty God to tell the whole truth and
nothing but the truth in answering the following questions? _____**

Print your name _____

Your address _____

Your relationship to bride _____

I hereby attest that I have known the above stated bride since she was at least 16 years of age and that she
(check one of the following):

has never been married before.

has been married _____ time(s) before to the following (include all marriages, civil and religious):

To your knowledge, is she free to marry? _____

To your knowledge, is she marrying freely? _____

To your knowledge, does she intend to remain faithful in a lifelong union? _____

Do you know of any reasons why she should not be married? If so, explain. _____

Your signature _____ Date _____

Notification of Marriage to Church of Baptism of Groom

Dear Father, in accord with canon 1122, §2, I am sending you the following information to be noted in your baptismal register:

Name of groom _____

Date of groom's baptism _____

Church of groom's baptism _____

Name of bride _____

Date of marriage _____

Church of marriage _____

Address of church of marriage _____

Please sign and return this notice to the church of marriage.

I have made this notation in the baptism register.

Signature _____ Date _____

Notification of Marriage to Church of Baptism of Bride

Dear Father, in accord with canon 1122, §2, I am sending you the following information to be noted in your baptismal register:

Name of bride _____

Date of bride's baptism _____

Church of bride's baptism _____

Name of groom _____

Date of marriage _____

Church of marriage _____

Address of church of marriage _____

Please sign and return this notice to the church of marriage.

I have made this notation in the baptism register.

Signature _____ Date _____