

Catholic wedding timeline

July 20, 2026

9:00 AM – 11:00 AM Bridal Preparation

Bridal Suite

The bride and bridesmaids get ready with hair and makeup services. Photographers capture candid moments of the morning.

12:00 PM – 12:30 PM Arrival at Church

Church Main Entrance

The bridal party arrives at the church to finalize preparations and greet arriving guests. The groomsmen assist in seating family members.

1:00 PM – 1:15 PM Processional

Main Aisle

The wedding party walks down the aisle to traditional liturgical music. The bride is escorted to the altar by her father.

1:15 PM – 1:45 PM Liturgy of the Word

Altar

Readings from the Old and New Testament are proclaimed followed by the Responsorial Psalm and the Gospel reading.

1:45 PM – 2:10 PM Vows and Ring Exchange

Altar

The couple exchanges their marital vows before the priest and congregation. They then exchange rings as a sign of their love and fidelity.

2:10 PM – 2:45 PM Liturgy of the Eucharist

Altar

The couple brings up the gifts and the congregation participates in the Eucharist and Holy Communion.

2:45 PM – 3:00 PM Recessional

Main Aisle

The newly married couple processes out of the church followed by the wedding party. Guests exit to prepare for the transition to the reception.

3:30 PM – 4:30 PM Cocktail Hour

Garden Patio

Guests enjoy drinks and hors d'oeuvres while the wedding party takes formal portraits. Music plays in the background to set the mood.

4:30 PM – 6:00 PM Wedding Dinner

Grand Ballroom

A formal sit-down dinner is served to the guests. Speeches are given by the best man and maid of honor during the meal.

6:00 PM – 6:30 PM Cake Cutting

Grand Ballroom

The couple cuts the wedding cake together. It is served to guests alongside coffee and tea.

6:30 PM – 9:30 PM Reception Dance

Grand Ballroom

The dance floor opens for all guests to enjoy. The evening concludes with a final dance for the couple.