

The 2023 Gesu Sacrament of Marriage Calendar is now open!
Parishioners* may begin the scheduling process now (9/30/2021).
Marquette University Alumni may begin scheduling in 2 weeks on
October 15th, 2021.

Please read this **entire document** before emailing to reserve a date.

- **Who may marry at Gesu**

To marry at Gesu you and/or your fiancé/e must be a confirmed Catholic that falls under at least one of the following categories:

1. Gesu Parishioner* of at least 6 months
2. Marquette Alumni/a
3. Currently enrolled as a student at Marquette University
4. Participating in the RCIA program at Gesu

Persons with no affiliation to Gesu or Marquette are not eligible to marry at Gesu, however our Wedding Coordinator, Jerri von den Bosch, (jerri.vondenbosch@marquette.edu) is available to help complete marriage prep to marry elsewhere.

*Parishioner status is given to current, registered parishioners of at least six months, as well as students who are currently enrolled at Marquette University.

The Church of the Gesu is a sacred space meant for the communal celebration of Catholic Sacraments. Persons of other faiths or no faith, are always welcome to join our community, however we ask that you celebrate your special day at another location. The bride and/or the groom must be a practicing Catholic to be married at Gesu.

- **2023 Wedding Times**

In 2023, the Gesu will host the Sacrament of Marriage for registered parishioners, Marquette alumni, and Marquette students on Friday afternoon and on Saturday afternoons except during the seasons of Lent and Advent, federal holidays, and other dates at staff discretion.

Wedding times are:

- Fridays at 2:00pm.
- Saturdays at 1:00pm and 4:00pm.

Weddings are scheduled only at these times.

- **Registration Process**

Please **email** our Wedding Coordinator, Jerri von den Bosch at jerri.vondenbosch@marquette.edu to reserve your date, and have either a specific date or a time frame in mind when you send your email.

Reservations must be made by the bride or the groom. We do not take emails/phone call reservations from parents, siblings, wedding coordinators, grandparents, or those hoping to be engaged soon, etc.

Once Jerri has confirmed a date with you, you will have two weeks to mail in or drop off your \$100.00 non-refundable deposit. This reserves your date and is not included in your fee.

We do not keep a waiting list of couples seeking dates. Dates and time slots are issued on a first-come, first-served basis.

Your deposit may be made by cash or check. Please make checks payable to Gesu Parish, and print your last names, followed by the date and time of your wedding in the memo line.

Payments can be mailed to or dropped off at:

Gesu Parish Center

Attn: Jerri von den Bosch

1210 W. Michigan St.

Milwaukee, WI 53233

- **Fee Structure**

Gesu Parish 2023 Wedding Fees:

- \$2,000.00 parishioners, alumni
- \$250.00 marriage prep only, those who reside in the Archdiocese of Milwaukee and are marrying in another Archdiocese

A \$100.00 non-refundable deposit is required to reserve your chosen date, which must be received no later than two weeks from confirmation of your reservation. Remember, **this is in not included** in fee.

All fees and payments to Gesu are due one month prior to your wedding day, however, you are welcome to send your payment any time before the due date.

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Please keep in mind: The Archdiocese of Milwaukee suggests a \$75.00 priest stipend. However, you may gift your priest any amount you wish. This check should be made payable to your priest and may be given to him the night of the rehearsal or the day of your wedding.

Gesu will supply an organist and a professional cantor (soloist) at no additional cost. There is no discount for supplying your own organist or cantor. If you wish to hire additional instrumentalists or musicians, this must be arranged through Dean Rosko, Gesu Director of Music. Please email him at dean.rosko@marquette.edu for recommendations and schedule of fees.

If you are not currently a registered parishioner elsewhere, please consider registering at Gesu and beginning your family's faith journey with us. We are glad to have you with us, and we wish you peace and blessings as you continue the journey toward your wedding day!

- **Marriage Preparation**

Gesu is only able to do marriage prep for current parishioners and Marquette alumni residing within the Archdiocese of Milwaukee.

If you live outside of the Archdiocese of Milwaukee, you must complete your marriage preparation at your home parish. You are responsible for ensuring your parish has sent your marriage preparation paperwork to Gesu at least two (2) months prior to your wedding date.

That paperwork must include:

- Permission from your pastor to marry at Gesu.
- Prenuptial questionnaire/investigation.
- Female affidavit concerning the freedom to marry.
- Male affidavit concerning the freedom to marry.
- Female baptism certificate dated within six (6) months of the wedding.
- Male baptism certificate dated within six (6) months of the wedding.
- Proof of premarital inventory.
- Proof of marriage retreat/classes including information on natural family planning.