Marriage Certificate

Policy No. 830

Policy Statement: A Marriage certificate is to be issued as soon as possible after the

Sacrament of Marriage is celebrated or as requested at a later date.

Definition: A Marriage certificate is an exact duplicate of a Marriage Register

entry.

Procedure: a) Certificates can be purchased or a parish may computer

generate its own certificate (providing it contains all the required information). The archdiocesan certificate template may be used (see Appendix 830A Marriage Certificate

Template).

b) Date and seal the certificate.

c) The pastor must sign the certificate.

d) Print/type the name of the pastor below the signature.

e) A certificate copy of a Marriage record is issued by the parish

holding the Marriage Register.

Refer to Policy:

No. 820 Marriage Register Entries

Refer to Appendix:

830A Marriage Certificate Template 704A Instruction to Complete Prenuptial Forms

704B Form 4

