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TO BE SIGNED AND RETURNED TO THE CHURCH PRIOR TO THE WEDDING

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1. Photographer is not permitted to take flash pictures during the ceremony. "During the ceremony" means any time after the pre-nuptial music begins (30 minutes prior to the service). Timed exposures from the rear balcony are permitted. After the pre-nuptial music begins, the photographer and all of his/her assistants must be in the balcony with their equipment until the worship service is over. There should not be any photographers taking pictures anywhere thirty minutes before the service begins.

2. One photographer, with prior approval from the Wedding Director, may take a picture of the bride and her escort in the Narthex immediately before they process.

3. The photographer may also call the church to make an appointment with the wedding custodian to view the lighting that will be available at the time of day of the wedding.

4. The groomsmen and/or ushers should be ready to usher forty-five (45) minutes prior to the beginning of the ceremony.

5. There shall be no photographs taken inside the altar rail or with the bride and groom or any attendants sitting on the altar rail.

6. The photographer is limited to a maximum of thirty (30) minutes for pictures in the nave or the chapel after the ceremony.

7. During the recessional, the photographer is not permitted to stand in the center of the aisle to make photos. However, he/she can stand in the narthex and make pictures when the wedding party comes back down the aisle. The photographer should not impede the recession of the wedding party.

8. The lighting in the sanctuary will be determined by the church policy. No one should ask for the lights to be changed for his/her convenience.

9. It is the bride's responsibility to obtain the signature of the photographer to ascertain that he/she has read the guidelines and agrees to comply with the policies of the church.

THIS COPY IS TO BE GIVEN TO THE PHOTOGRAPHER AND HE/SHE MUST RETURN IT TO THE CHURCH AT LEAST ONE WEEK PRIOR TO THE WEDDING.

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Signature of the Photographer Date

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Signature of the Bride Date

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