



St Michael Catholic Church

458 Maple Street, Livermore, CA 94550
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Guidelines & Policies for Photographer & Videographer

The Sacrament of Matrimony and all services of prayer and worship are sacred in the life of the Catholic Church. In order to ensure that all such events are celebrated in a reverent and dignified manner, the following policies have been established.

1. The photographer & videographer shall conduct himself/herself in a respectful manner at all times out of reverent regard for the Church as a place of prayer and worship.

2. The photographer & videographer shall limit his/her movement during the ceremony to the pre-designated area (see link). During the liturgy, photographs may be taken only from designated areas: balcony, side aisles, center cross aisle and from the back of the church. **The photographer &/or videographer is absolutely not allowed in the sanctuary (altar area) at any time.**

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3. Flash photography is not permitted during the liturgy; it is allowed before or after the celebration.

4. Extra lighting is not permitted.

5. Obtrusive equipment and wiring the bride and bridegroom for sound is not allowed. Priests may be wired, at their discretion.

6. The Church is available for set up of the photo & video equipment 1 hour before the wedding.



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7. After the liturgy, the photographer & videographer shall work within the limited time allotted for picture-taking. This will ensure the next service has ample time for preparation. **For Saturday weddings at 2:00 pm, no photography is permitted after 3:40 pm.**

8. Complete cooperation with the Wedding Coordinator and observance of parish policies is required at all times.