



**REQUEST FOR PERMISSION  
FOR MARRIAGE OUTSIDE OF A PARISH CHURCH**

*This form is for use in conjunction with a Catholic wedding liturgy conducted by a Catholic priest or deacon*

**This request should be lodged before any booking is made with a wedding venue**

*Requests for weddings to take place in Catholic chapels are usually granted*

*Weddings between a Catholic and a non-baptized party are to take place in a church or a suitable place [canon 1118 §3] Weddings between a Catholic and another Christian are to be celebrated in a church, unless there are serious reasons why this cannot happen Weddings between two Catholic may be celebrated outside a Catholic church only in extraordinary and serious circumstances*

*Because a wedding venue has been booked and a deposit paid is not a serious reason why permission will be granted for that venue*


**SECTION A – TO BE COMPLETED BY THE COUPLE**

<b>Bridegroom</b>	Name		
	Address		
	Contact Number		
	Religion	<input type="checkbox"/> Catholic	<input type="checkbox"/> Other Christian
		<input type="checkbox"/> Not Baptized	
<b>Bride</b>	Name		
	Address		
	Contact Number		
	Religion	<input type="checkbox"/> Catholic	<input type="checkbox"/> Other Christian
		<input type="checkbox"/> Not Baptized	
<b>Wedding</b>	Proposed Date		
	Proposed Place		
	Celebrant		
Reasons for Request: <i>[If one party is "Other Christian" or "Not Baptized" please state religion (if any) of that party]</i>			
<b>Signed</b>	Bridegroom		Date
	Bride		Date

## SECTION B – TO BE COMPLETED BY THE PRIEST/DEACON CELEBRANT

<input type="checkbox"/> I support this application for pastoral reasons: <input type="checkbox"/> one party is a former student of the school/college <input type="checkbox"/> one party is not baptized <input type="checkbox"/> one party is not Catholic and the family has difficulty with the Church <input type="checkbox"/> other: _____ _____		
Other comments:		
Signed		Date

## SECTION C – TO BE COMPLETED BY THE PARISH PRIEST

<b>Statement by Parish Priest of Intended Place of Wedding:</b> <i>[not required if the place of the Wedding is Mater Dei Chapel, St Mary Star of the Sea Chapel, Edmund Rice Chapel, Chevalier College, Hartzler Park Chapel or any other Catholic Chapel or Catholic Church in the Diocese of Wollongong]</i>		
<input type="checkbox"/> I support this application for pastoral reasons.		
<input type="checkbox"/> I do not support this application for the reasons given below.		
<input type="checkbox"/> I have no objection to this application being approved.		
Other comments:		
Signed		Date

This form is to be forwarded to the Chancery by the Couple, the Celebrant or Parish Priest.

**The Chancery  
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