



ST. MARY'S KNaNAYA CATHOLIC FORANE PARISH, HOUSTON

6400 W. Fuqua St., Missouri City, TX 77489, USA
St. Thomas Syro-Malabar Catholic Diocese of Chicago

**Pastor / Vicar: Fr. Abraham
Mutholath**
Phone: (773)- 412-6254
Email: mutholath2000@gmail.com

Associate: Fr. Joseph Thachara
Phone: (832)- 274-5972
Email: josephthachara@gmail.com

ITEMS NEEDED FOR WEDDING AND PAPERWORK GROOM

- Marriage Preparation Course Certificate (Original).
- Baptism certificate. (*Issued within the last six months, especially if wedding is in a Latin Church*)
- First Communion certificate, if available.
- Confirmation (Chrismation) certificate
- Pre-Marriage course certificate

BRIDE

- Marriage Preparation Course Certificate (Original).
- Baptism certificate. (*Issued within the last six months, especially if wedding is in a Latin Church*)
- First Communion certificate, if available.
- Confirmation (Chrismation) certificate
- Pre-Marriage course certificate
- (*Originals shall be returned if photocopy of baptism, first communion, and confirmation certificates are provided*).
- Clearance letter (Desakuri - original) after wedding banns, from fiancé's parish if from another parish.
- Original of Marriage License from the county (*valid for 60 days only*).
- Annual contribution to the church of the current year, even if the marriage takes place in another church.
- Full names of two witnesses (uncles) from bride's and groom's side.
- Full Name of priest who would bless the marriage, if other than your pastor. (*Pastor's prior approval and delegation is needed for blessing by another priest*).
- If the priest who blesses the marriage is from outside the diocese, a letter proving that the priest is in good standing with the Catholic Church. (*Check with the pastor for this*).
- Name and address of the church where the marriage would take place, if it is not your own church.
- If the wedding would take place in another church, take the packet to the pastor of that parish before your wedding.
- Arrange Sacristans and choir ahead of time.
- The procession and recession hymns for the wedding must be appropriate to the liturgy.
- The marriage license from the county must be signed on the day of your marriage by the priest who blesses it and submit to county office within the stipulated time (10 days).

ITEMS NEEDED AT CHURCH FOR WEDDING

- Mantra kodi, Thali, thread from the strings of manthrakodi
- Wedding Rings
- Bible / Gospel of your own if you would like to keep it as a souvenir of your wedding.
- Rosary – two for both bride and groom.
- License from county for the wedding.
- Liturgical books, if marriage is done in another church.