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Welcome to the Metropolitan Cathedral of the Archdiocese of Las Vegas!

Sadly, here in the "wedding capital of the world," we face a problem here at the Cathedral that probably doesn't happen elsewhere:

- We have caught wedding chapels staging "photo ops" in front of the Cathedral to "prove" the parties got married in a Catholic Church.
- We have had people claiming that after getting a "blessing" at the Cathedral that the priest who did the "blessing" was making their wedding "valid" in the Church.
- Couples have asked to have a picture with the priest after Mass and later used this picture to "prove" to their family that they were married in the Church.
- We receive many requests to do an "anniversary blessing," only to find out that the couple was never married validly in the Catholic Church.

Therefore, before any priest or deacon does any blessing of a couple for a wedding or an anniversary, the couple **MUST** make arrangements for this prior to arriving at the Cathedral. We ask that you please contact the Cathedral offices at:

Guardian Angel Cathedral 336 Cathedral Way Las Vegas, NV 89109 (702) 735-5241

Once approved, the Cathedral staff will give you instructions on your blessing and will also inform the priest who is celebrating Mass that day at the Cathedral. Some documents, such as a copy of the Church marriage certificate, may be required.

Thank you for your understanding, and God bless!

Very Rev. Robert M. Herbst, OFM Conv, JCD

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