Guidelines for Remarriage in the Episcopal Church*

St. John the Evangelist, Hingham, Massachusetts



To be sent by the priest to the Rt. Rev. Gayle E. Harris no less than 30 days prior to the wedding date. All documents must be submitted together.

- 1. The Application to Solemnize a Remarriage
- 2. A letter from the priest
 - Length of time he or she has known the couple
 - Length and content of counseling
 - The couple's relationship with the church
 - Any other pertinent information
- 3. A letter from each person in the couple
 - © From the divorced person:
 - o Reasons for dissolution of the former marriage
 - o Length of separation prior to divorce proceeding
 - Provisions that have been made for the emotional and financial support of children from the former marriage
 - Trom each person:
 - Nature of the relationship the intended spouse has established with the children of the former marriage
 - Hopes and expectations of the intended relationship, understanding of Christian marriage, and reasons for wishing to have the marriage solemnized by a clergyperson of the Episcopal Church.
- 4. A copy of the final divorce decree of the civil court
- 5. A signed Declaration of Intention

^{*} If one or both parties has been divorced more than once they should contact the parish clergy for additional guidelines.