

## **WEDDING SACRAMENTS:**

### **1) General Requirements**

One or both of the Bride and Groom, and the Koumbari, must be able to verify that they are members of the Eastern Orthodox faith in order to be married in Assumption Greek Orthodox Church of Long Beach.

### **2) Fees**

The General Requirement above having been met, specific fees based on several conditions that may exist will be charged. Such fees are generally used to maintain Church facilities and to pay the salaries of those who must participate in planning and executing the wedding services.

### **3) Stewardship Fees**

“Members in Good Standing” is defined as: Being a pledged steward of any Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America (GOAA) member church and meeting the pledge as promised. Either bride or groom, and the Koumbari, must be “Members in Good Standing”.

- a) If either the bride or groom are “Members in Good Standing” of Assumption Greek Orthodox Church, no additional fee is required.
- b) If neither the bride or groom, are “Members in Good Standing” of Assumption Greek Orthodox Church, but are members of another GOAA member church, the bride or groom, must present a “Letter of Good Standing” from their priest and pay of **\$400** to Assumption Church. The Koumbari must present a “Letter of Good Standing” from their priest.
- c) If neither the bride nor groom, are “Members in Good Standing” of Assumption Greek Orthodox Church, yet regularly attend Assumption Greek Orthodox Church, and they want to become members the couple must make a minimum Stewardship Pledge of **\$700** to Assumption Church.
- d) If neither the bride nor groom are “Members in Good Standing” of any GOAA member church but are documented members (present documents) of the Eastern Orthodox faith, and they want to use our church the couple needs to pay **\$1,000** to Assumption Church.
- e) If the Koumbari are “Members in Good Standing” of the Assumption Greek Orthodox Church no need to present a “Good Standing Letter”. If they are members of another GOAA member church they need to present a “Letter of Good Standing” from their priest. If they are not members of any GOAA or Eastern Orthodox Church they need to prove their Orthodox Faith by presenting their Baptism or Wedding certificate.

**4) Coordination and Wedding Related Fees (Required)**

- a) All weddings will be guided by the wedding coordinator whose fee is **\$225**.  
(check payable to Pamela Hardaway)
- b) The organist's fee is **\$200**. (check payable to Penny Benetatos)
- c) The chanter's fee is **\$200**. (check payable to George Dorlis)
- d) The maintenance fee is **\$100** (check payable to Assumption Church)

I understand and agree to the obligations outlined above:

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Signatures of Bride and Groom