



**TRINITAS CHAPEL OF THE  
UNIVERSITY OF GREAT FALLS  
WEDDING POLICY**  
(a non-parochial oratory)  
Diocese of Great Falls-Billings

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Guidelines for Sacramental Celebrations

Community/Minister/Records

An oratory is a place for divine worship designated by permission of the Bishop for the benefit of some community or group of the faithful (canon 1223). Therefore, Trinitas Chapel is designated for use by current students and current employees of the University of Great Falls and their spouses and children.

The chaplain or priest entrusted with the responsibility for the university community will be granted the faculties of pastor **only** for the specific community as defined in paragraph one.

All the sacramental policies of the Diocese of Great Falls-Billings must be followed.

The oratory should have and maintain its own sacramental records.

For any marriage to take place at Trinitas Chapel, the following conditions must be met:

1. One party of the marriage must be a member of the university as defined above.
2. One party of the marriage must be Catholic.
3. Marriage preparation, required by diocesan policy, must be completed.
4. Proper delegation must be granted to any officiating priest or deacon other than the chaplain or priest entrusted with the care of Trinitas Chapel.
5. The chaplain or priest entrusted with the care of the chapel is responsible for recording the marriage in the marriage register and notifying the churches of baptism. The prenuptial papers should be kept on file at the chapel and the Summary Form sent to the Diocese of Great Falls-Billings.

With the promulgation of these guidelines, all previous regulations concerning the use of Trinitas Chapel are abrogated.

Promulgated December 8, 2008  
Most Rev. Michael W. Warfel  
Bishop of Great Falls-Billings