# **Ministry Description**

Title: Wedding Assistant

**Supervisor:** Director of Liturgy

#### **Description:**

The Wedding Assistant is assigned to a wedding couple and becomes their parish liaison in many ways. They are helpful and hospitable to the bridal party in every way possible.

### **Specific Tasks:**

Wedding Assistants will often facilitate the wedding rehearsal. They will be a resource to the wedding couple on how best to use our various spaces to suit their situation. From arranging the procession / recession "choreography" to being on hand with needle and thread for wardrobe malfunctions, the Wedding Assistant is invaluable. They will work with all family members to be confident with lectionary & microphone or in knowing when to move to bring up the gifts. The tasks required will vary with every wedding, but it will always be beneficial and rewarding.

#### **Skills or Attributes Required:**

A willingness to learn about the possibilities for wedding liturgies, a love of detail, and an enjoyment in working with all sorts of people. An eye for beauty and familiarity with a variety of ministries would be plusses!

#### **Time Required:**

Once assigned to a wedding the Wedding Assistant will spend approximately 3 hours in preparations or meetings with the couple and likely another 3 hours on the big day. This may vary with each situation. If several Weddings Assistants are trained the work load will be shared.

#### **Training:**

Ample resources and training will be provided by the parish.

## Benefits (How does it fulfill the parish mission):

Our parish hospitality and reverence for the sacrament of marriage are enhanced by being able to provide this ministry to couples getting married at St. Gall. Gracious hospitality helps us to evangelize!