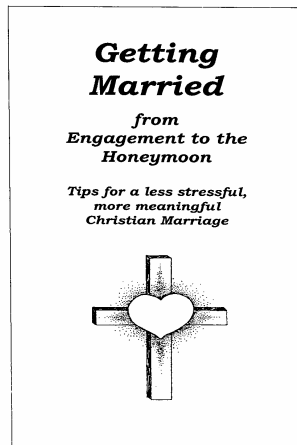


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# ***Invitations***

## ***Purpose:***

To inform and invite those you love and who love you.

## ***Stressors:***

Guest list, choice and cost of invitations.

## ***I deas:*** *Keep it simple, sweetheart!*

See the messy process of deciding the guest list as a way of getting to better know your own family and the family into which you are marrying.

Consider inviting cut-off relatives; just the invitation can begin the healing.

If you decide not to invite children, what message is this sending?

Through the parish bulletin, issue a general invitation to parishioners to attend the wedding ceremony, stating that the reception is by invitation only.

No one will care or remember which style invitations you chose! Use a computer or calligraphy to create your own. Invitations should reflect the seriousness and dignity of marriage.

Does the script include the spiritual dimension of this life-long commitment you are inviting people to witness and support?

Include option of phone or email reservations.

Include your wedding website, if you have one.

Give out-of-towners name and phone number of person you've delegated to be in charge of hotel and transportation arrangement questions. Tourist info websites are appreciated too.

