Christ Episcopal Church 107 South Washington Street, Rockville, Maryland 20850

GUIDELINES FOR PHOTOGRAPHERS AND VIDEOGRAPHERS

- 1. All photographers must meet with the Wedding Coordinator and the Officiating Clergy prior to the ceremony to review the information below and assure there are no misunderstandings.
- 2. Photographs may be taken <u>45 minutes before the service</u> and 30 minutes after the conclusion of the ceremony.
- 3. Flash photography may not be used <u>during the processional at the rear of the nave</u>.
- 4. During the actual ceremony, **no flash may be used**, and pictures may only be taken from the **back and/or balcony**.
- 5. Videographers may tape the processional. When the ceremony begins, the camera must be out of sight and stationary for the remainder of the ceremony. Additionally, a stationary camera can be placed in the balcony.
- 6. There are two exceptions to this rule: A photograph without flash, may be taken as the couple exchanges vows, and a photograph, again without flash, may be taken as the newlyweds process out at the end of the service. These will be taken at the rear of the church.

These rules are to preserve the sacred character of Holy Matrimony and to ensure that the participants are not distracted. Any photographer who violates these rules will not be allowed the privilege of wedding photography at Christ Church in the future.