

About Marriage, Divorced and Remarried or just Living Together

Parishioner Who Is Divorced and Remarried and Holy Communion

Parishioners who are themselves divorced and civilly remarried or are married to somebody who is (apart from a declaration of nullity or the death of the prior spouse), are not in the position to receive Holy Communion. The Church's teaching on the indissolubility of marriage is very clear. The status of such a parishioner is that they are currently living in an ongoing and manifest state objectively contrary to marriage.

A possibility to bring oneself into the graces of GOD, they should separate or live as brother and sister. (form attached). Until their situation is rectified, they should not present themselves for Holy Communion (Code of Canon Law # 916). Even if your parishioners have petitioned for a declaration of nullity and are awaiting a decision or have begun a request for a *Petrine Privilege*, they should not be receiving Holy Communion unless they have separated or are living as brother and sister.

Amy Klarkowski (<https://madisondiocese.org/pre-petition>) 608-821-3068 , is happy to help parties rectify their marriage situations.