

you can you fit the invitations, marriage license, and wedding arrangements into a manageable budget.

***How comfortable are your family members with your religious beliefs?***

Most couples want to share their joy with their parents and extended family members. But if family members feel discomfort with Pagan beliefs, it will be tricky having them come to a ceremony they may not understand.

## What Most Pagans Do

Many Pagans, faced with the above questions, take the simple route—purchasing their license, making an appointment with a judge, then performing a quiet handfasting (either privately or with a high priest or priestess) after the legal ceremony.

As Paganism grows, however, so does the demand that handfastings be legally recognized. People willing to perform such ceremonies are more common, though still heavily in demand (so you should locate and reserve an officary

**Couples intent on having a legal, Pagan, clergy-officiated wedding have many options—as long as they are willing to look.**

for your wedding a minimum of three months ahead of time). When you do decide to seek an officary for your Pagan wedding, you should spend time looking around and asking questions. Use word-of-mouth, formal advertising, and common sense to lead you to the right person for your wedding. The following Internet sites offer listings of available Pagan clergy as well as useful information about handfasting traditions and rituals.

***Witch's Voice* (<http://www.witchvox.com>)**

This website offers an intensive state-by-state (or province-by-province/country-by-country) networking system, including a page for clergy to list spiritual services.