**WEDDING PARTY**

**Celebrant:** *Name*

**Bride:** *Name*

**Groom:** *Name*

**Bridesmaids:** *Name*

*Name*

*Name*

**Best Man:** *Name*

**Groomsmen:** *Name*

*Name*

**Flower Girl:** *Name*

**Page Boy:** *Name*

**Readers:** *Name*

*Name*

**Prayer of the Faithful:** *Name*

*Name*

*Name*

*Name*

**Music:** *Name*

**ENTRANCE**

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**THE INTRODUCTORY RITE**

The Greeting

P. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All **Amen.**

P. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the Communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

All **And with your spirit.**

**CEREMONY OF LIGHT**

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*Bride and Groom each light a candle as a sign of their individual lives which will soon become one in the bond of marriage.*

**THE PENITENTIAL RITE**

P. Brethren (brothers and sisters), let us acknowledge our sins, and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.

All **I confess to Almighty God,**

**and to you my brothers and sisters**

**that I have greatly sinned,**

**in my thoughts and in my words,**

**in what I have done**

**and in what I have failed to do,**

**(***And, striking their breast, they say*)

**through my fault, through my fault,**

**through my most grievous fault;**

*(Then they continue)*

**therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,**

**all the Angels and Saints,**

**and you, my brothers and sisters,**

**to pray for me to the Lord our God.**

P. May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins and bring us to everlasting life.

All **Amen.**

P. Lord, have mercy.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

P. Christ, have mercy.

All **Christ, have mercy.**

P. Lord, have mercy.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

**GLORIA**

All **Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you,**

**we give you thanks, for your great glory,**

**Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

**OPENING PRAYER**

P. Let us Pray.

Father, hear our prayers for Bride and Groom,

who today are united in marriage before your altar.

Give them your blessing, and strengthen their love for each other. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.

All **Amen.**

**LITURGY OF THE WORD**

**First Reading:** *Read by Name*

**A reading from the first letter of St John.**

My dear people, let us love one another since love comes from God and everyone who loves is begotten by God and knows God. Anyone who fails to love can never have known God, because God is love. God’s love for us was revealed when God sent into the world his only Son so that we could have life through him; this is the love I mean: not our love for God, but God’s love for us when he sent his Son to be the sacrifice that takes our sins away. My dear people, since God has loved us so much, we too should love one another. No one has ever seen God; but as long as we love one another God will live in us, and his love will be complete in us.

The word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

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**Second Reading:** *Read by Name*

**A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians**

Love is always patient and kind; it is never jealous;

Love is never boastful or conceited; it is never rude or selfish; it does not take offence, and is not resentful.

Love takes no pleasure in other people’s sins but delights in the truth; It is always ready to excuse, to trust, to hope, and to endure whatever comes. Love does not come to an end.

The word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

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**GOSPEL**

P. The Lord be with you.

All **And with your spirit.**

P.A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

All **Glory to you, O Lord.**

1. Jesus said to his disciples,

“As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Remain in my love. If you keep my commandments you will remain in my love so that my own joy may be in you and your joy be complete. This is my commandment: Love one another as I have loved you.

The Gospel of the Lord.

All **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

**HOMILY**

**RITE OF MARRIAGE**

P. Dear children of God, you have come to this Church so that the Lord may seal your love in the presence of the priest, and this community. Christ blesses this love. He has already consecrated you in baptism; now by a special sacrament He strengthens you to fulfil the duties of your married life.

Bride and Groom, you are about to celebrate this sacrament.

Have you come here of your own free will and choice and without compulsion to marry each other?

**Both: We have.**

P. Will you love and honour each other in marriage all the days of your life?

**Both: We will.**

P. Are you willing to accept with love the children God may send you and bring them up in accordance with the law of Christ and His Church?

**Both: We are.**

**DECLARATION OF CONSENT**

P. I invite you then to declare before God and His Church your consent to become husband and wife.

**Groom: I, Groom, take you Bride as my wife,**

**for better, for worse,**

**for richer, for poorer,**

**in sickness and in health,**

**all the days of our life.**

**Bride: I, Bride, take you Groom as my husband,**

**for better, for worse,**

**for richer, for poorer,**

**in sickness and in health,**

**all the days of our life.**

P. What God joins together, man must not separate. May the Lord confirm the consent that you have given and enrich you with his blessings.

**BLESSING OF THE RINGS**

P. Lord, bless Bride and Groom, and consecrate their married life. May these rings be a symbol of their faith in each other and a reminder of their love. Through Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

**Groom: Bride, wear this ring as a sign of our love and fidelity. In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.**

**Bride: Groom, wear this ring as a sign of our love and fidelity. In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.**

**CANDLE CEREMONY**

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*Bride and Groom now light a single candle from their individual candles to signify their new life together as a couple.*

P. Now that Bride and Groom have given themselves to each other, let us ask God, our father to keep all married couples faithful to him and united in themselves.

Prayer for the Newly Married Couple

Both: We thank you Lord and we praise you for bringing us to this happy day. You have given us to each other, now together, we give ourselves to you.

We ask you Lord make us one in our love, keep us one in your peace, protect our marriage, bless our home, make us gentle, keep us faithful, and when life is over, unite us again where parting is no more in the Kingdom of your love. There we will praise you in the happiness and peace of our eternal home.

**PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL**

*Name:*

Let us pray for Bride and Groom who are now united in marriage. May God keep them in his care and may He bless their world with health and happiness. Lord hear us

All **Lord graciously hear us.**

*Name:*

Let us pray for the parents of Bride and Groom and for all their family and friends who have helped them to become husband and wife. Lord hear us

All **Lord graciously hear us.**

*Name:*

Let us pray for all who could not be with us today. Through your grace grant that they share in the joy of the day. Lord hear us.

All **Lord graciously hear us.**

*Name:*

Pray for all parents, Lord grant that they pass on the faith to their children that they may grow up in the joy and peace of God. Lord hear us.

All **Lord graciously hear us.**

*Name:*

Let us pray for our relatives and friends who have departed from this life. Let us pray especially for ..... may God unite us again in the joys of heaven. Lord hear us.

All **Lord graciously hear us.**

**LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST**

**Offertory Procession**



P. Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the bread we offer you: fruit of the earth and work of human hands, it will become for us the bread of life.

All **Blessed be God forever.**

P. Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the wine we offer you: fruit of the vine and work of human hands, it will become our spiritual drink.

All **Blessed be God forever.**

**PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS**

P. Pray, brethren (brothers and sisters), that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

All **May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands**

**for the praise and glory of His name, for our good, and the good of all His holy Church.**

P. Lord, hear our prayers and accept the gifts we offer for Bride and Groom.

Today you have made them one in the sacrament of marriage. May the mystery of Christ’s unselfish love, which we celebrate in this Eucharist, increase their love for you and for each other.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

**THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER**

P. The Lord be with you.

All **And with your spirit.**

P. Lift up your hearts.

All **We lift them up to the Lord.**

P. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All **It is right and just.**

P. It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation,

always and everywhere to give you thanks, Father most holy, through your beloved Son, Jesus Christ,

your Word through whom you made all things,

whom you sent as our Saviour and Redeemer,

incarnate by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin.

Fulfilling your will and gaining for you a holy people, he stretched out his hands as he endured his Passion, so as to break the bonds of death and manifest the resurrection.

And so, with the Angels and all the Saints

we declare your glory,

All **Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.**

**Heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

P. You are indeed Holy, O Lord, the fountain of all holiness. Make holy, therefore, these gifts, we pray,

by sending down your Spirit upon them like the dewfall, so that they may become for us the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ.

At the time he was betrayed

and entered willingly into his Passion,

he took bread and, giving thanks, broke it,

and gave it to his disciples, saying:

TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND EAT OF IT, FOR THIS IS MY BODY,

WHICH WILL BE GIVEN UP FOR YOU.

In a similar way, when supper was ended,

he took the chalice and, once more giving thanks,

he gave it to his disciples, saying:

TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND DRINK FROM IT, FOR THIS IS THE CHALICE OF MY BLOOD, THE BLOOD OF THE NEW AND ETERNAL COVENANT, WHICH WILL BE POURED OUT FOR YOU AND FOR MANY FOR THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS.

DO THIS IN MEMORY OF ME.

P. The mystery of faith.

All **When we eat this bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.**

P. Therefore, as we celebrate

the memorial of his Death and Resurrection,

we offer you, Lord,

the Bread of life and the Chalice of salvation,

giving thanks that you have held us worthy

to be in your presence and minister to you.

Humbly we pray that,

partaking of the Body and Blood of Christ,

we may be gathered into one by the Holy Spirit.

Remember, Lord, your Church,

spread throughout the world,

and bring her to the fullness of charity,

together with Francis our Pope and our Bishop and all the clergy.

Remember also our brothers and sisters,

who have fallen asleep in the hope of the resurrection, and all who have died in your mercy:

welcome them into the light of your face.

Have mercy on us all, we pray,

that with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God,

with the blessed Apostles,

and all the Saints who have pleased you throughout the ages,

we may merit to be coheirs to eternal life,

and may praise and glorify you through your Son, Jesus Christ.

Through him, and with him, and in him, O God, almighty Father, in the unity of the holy spirit, all glory and honour is yours, forever and ever.

All **Amen.**

**COMMUNION RITE**

P. At the Saviour’s command and formed by divine teaching,

we dare to say:

All **Our Father, who art in heaven,**

**hallowed be thy name;**

**thy kingdom come,**

**thy will be done**

**on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread,**

**and forgive us our trespasses,**

**as we forgive those who trespass against us;**

**and lead us not into temptation,**

**but deliver us from evil.**

**NUPTIAL BLESSING**

P. Let us ask God to bless Bride and Groom now married in Christ and unite them in His love through the sacrament of his body and blood.

Father, by your plan man and woman are united, and married life has been established as the one blessing that was not forfeited by original sin or washed away in the flood. Look with love upon this woman, your daughter, now joined to her husband in marriage. She asks your blessing. Give her the grace of love and peace, May she always follow the example of the holy women whose praises are sung in the scriptures. May her husband put his trust in her and recognize that she is his equal and the heir with him to the life of grace. May he always honour her and love her as Christ loves his bride, the Church.

We ask this through Christ, our Lord.

All **Amen.**

P. The peace of the Lord be with you always.

All **And with your spirit.**

P. Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

May this mingling of the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ bring eternal life to us who receive it.

All **Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.**

P. Behold the Lamb of God,

behold him who takes away the sins of the world.

Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

All **Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.**

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON**

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P. I give you a new commandment, love one another as I have loved you, says the Lord.

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

P. Let us pray.

*(All pray in silence)*

Lord, We who have shared the food of your table

pray for our friends Bride and Groom,

whom you have joined together in marriage.

Keep them close to you always.

May their love for each other

proclaim to all the world their faith in you.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

**THE BLESSING**

P. The Lord be with you.

All **And with your spirit.**

P. The Lord Jesus was present at the wedding in Cana: today may he bless you and your families and friends.

All **Amen.**

P. He loved his Church to the end; may he fill your hearts to overflowing with his love.

All **Amen.**

1. May he give you the grace to bear witness to his resurrection, and look forward to his coming with hope and joy.

All **Amen.**

P. May the peace of Christ ever dwell in your home. May the angels of God protect it, and may the Holy family of Nazareth be its model and inspiration.

All **Amen.**

P. May Almighty God bless you, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

All  **Amen.**

P. Go forth, the Mass is ended.

All **Thanks be to God.**

**SIGNING OF THE MARRIAGE REGISTER**

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