

Sample Wedding Program

The Order of Celebrating Matrimony outside of Mass

Note: Words or phrases in [brackets] indicate where to insert your selections Topics labeled as **(Optional)** should be omitted from program, if not used.

Liturgical Ministers

Celebrant

Lectors

Cantor

Greeters

Servers

Wedding Party

Bridesmaids

Groomsman

Family of Couple

[insert names and relation, i.e. Mr. & Mrs. Joe
Smith, parents of the Bride]

Wedding Ceremony

Prelude

The Entrance Chant

Processional

[insert title and composer for entrance music]

Greeting

Priest or Deacon: *Grace to you and peace from
God our Father and the Lord Jess Christ.*

All Respond: ***And with your spirit.***

Opening Prayer

Liturgy of the Word (Please Sit)

First Reading: [insert ex. Gen. 1:26-28, 31]

Lector: *The Word of the Lord.*

All: ***Thanks be to God.***

Responsorial Psalm: [insert ex. Ps 148:1-4, 9-14]

Please sing in response:

[insert ex. ***Let all praise the name of the Lord.***]

Second Reading: [insert ex. 1 Cor. 12:31 – 13:8]

Lector: *The Word of the Lord.*

All: ***Thanks be to God.***

Gospel Acclamation: *(Please Stand)*

Please sing in response: **Alleluia!**

Gospel: [insert ex. Mark 10:6-9]

Priest or Deacon: *The Gospel of the Lord.*

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

Homily: *(Please Sit)*

The Celebration of Matrimony *(Please Stand)*

The Question Before Consent

The Consent

The Reception of the Consent

Priest or Deacon: *Let us bless the Lord.*

All respond: **Thanks be to God.**

The Blessing and Giving of Rings

Prayer of the Faithful

All Respond: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

The Nuptial Blessing

The Lord's Prayer

Sign of Peace **(Optional)**

Blessing [and Dismissal]

(include "and Dismissal" if Dedication to Mary not used)

(Optional)

Dedication to the Blessed Virgin Mary

Recessional:

[insert title and composer for exit music]

To Our Guests: Please, no flash photography during the ceremony. Pictures will be taken immediately following the ceremony. Due to time constraints, [bride] and [groom] will personally greet everyone at the reception.**

(****Note:** Use this or similar message in your program to comply with our policy of no flash photography during the ceremony and no receiving line at the church. If the guests do not leave their pews right away, please advise your ushers or groomsmen to assist them in exiting.)