

Please use the book: ***Together for Life* (TFL)** in planning your wedding ceremony.

CELEBRATING MARRIAGE OUTSIDE OF MASS

Name of Couple and phone number: _____

St. Mary's Church Date: _____ Time: _____

Father/Deacon: _____ How many people in your Wedding Party? _____

Prelude Music: Please ask your musicians to play appropriate instrumental pieces while guests arrive.

Any special song to be played or sung right before the wedding begins? _____

The Introductory Rites

Greeting of the Couple by the Presider: (This will take place either **before** or **after** the Entrance Procession.)

Processional Song(s): _____

Entrance Procession Procedures: Check one below

_____ 1) Both bride and groom accompanied by parents, preceded by bridesmaids, groomsmen and presiding clergy.

_____ 2) Both bride and groom accompanied by parents, preceded by bridesmaids and groomsmen.

_____ 3) Bride accompanied by parents, preceded by bridesmaids and groomsmen.

_____ 4) Bride accompanied by her father, preceded by bridesmaids and groomsmen.

Sign of the Cross and Greeting of the people if it did not happen at the door of the church.

A. Collect (Opening Prayer) A1 A2 A3 A4 A5 A6 (*pp. 11-13 in TFL Bk. Circle the specific one you like*)

Liturgy of the Word

One scripture reading chosen from all the readings **must have a ***, which explicitly speaks of marriage.

B. First Reading--Old Testament (pp. 16-33 in TFL Bk) Select one

B1* B2* B3* B4* B5* B6* B7 B8* B9 Proclaimed by _____

C. Responsorial Psalm: _____

C1 C2 C3 C4 C5* C6 C7 (*pp. 36-41 in TFL Bk*)

It is recommended that this psalm should be sung, with the entire assembly repeating the refrain.

The cantor will sing the verses. Examples of sung psalms can be found on the music selection sheet listed under Responsorial Psalms. If spoken, it will be read by: _____

D. Second Reading--New Testament (pp. 44-67 in TFL bk) Select one.

D1 D2 D3 D4 D5 D6 D7 D8 D9 D10 D11* D12 D13 D14

Proclaimed by _____

E. Gospel Acclamation: Celtic Alleluia or similar one with sung or chanted verse done by your cantor.

E1 E2 E3 E4 E5 E6 (*p.70 in the TFL bk.*) **Select one or ask your musicians.**

F. Gospel (proclaimed by priest or deacon) (*pp. 72-87 in the TFL Bk.*)

F1 F2 F3 F4* F5 F6* F7* F8 F9 F10 **Select one**

Homily-(Given by Celebrant of the ceremony)

The Celebration of Matrimony

(Check the choice you would like used below)

Address to the Bride and Groom #93 in the Order of Celebrating Marriage

The Questions before the Consent (pp.88-90 in the TFL Bk.) G1___ G2___ G3___

The Consent or Marriage Vows ___ First Formula ___ Second Formula

Reception of Consent (pp.92-93 in TFL Bk) ___ H13 (98) or ___ H14

Blessing and Giving of Rings: (pp.93-94 in TFL Bk.) ___ | (1,2,3) ___ |4 ___ |5

Blessing and Giving of the Arras: (pp. 95 in TFL Bk.) | 6 ___ | 7 ___ | 8 ___

Optional: Hymn or Candle Lighting Song: _____

Prayers and Blessings

Universal Prayer-(Prayers of the Faithful) J1_____ J2_____ (p. 95-97 in the TFL Bk)

The Lord's Prayer-(All recite)

Nuptial Blessing M1 M2 M3 Select one (p.102-106 in the TFL Bk)

Optional: Blessing and Placing of the Lazo or Veil Yes ___ No _____

Optional: Sign of Peace Yes ___ No _____

Optional: Presentation of flowers by the couple to the statue of Mary.

Yes ___ No ___ If yes: Song: _____

Conclusion of the Celebration

Final Blessing: O1 O2 O3 Select one (p. 108-110 in the TFL Bk)

Recessional Song: _____