

Holy Matrimony

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Rubic. Marriage is the covenantal union of one man and one woman in the sight of God and the Church. The priest shall ensure free consent, lawful eligibility, and pastoral preparation.

Minister. Dearly beloved, we are gathered together here in the sight of God to join together this man and this woman in holy Matrimony.

Minister. Wilt thou have this woman to thy wedded wife, to live together after God's ordinance?

Man. I will.

Minister. Wilt thou have this man to thy wedded husband, to live together after God's ordinance?

Woman. I will.

I N. take thee N. to my wedded wife/husband, to have and to hold from this day forward, for better for worse, for richer for poorer, in sickness and in health, to love and to cherish, till death us do part.

Minister. Those whom God hath joined together let no man put asunder.

O eternal God, send Thy blessing upon these Thy servants, that they may keep their covenant and live together in faith, fidelity, patience, and love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.