



Celebrating the Union of

Walter  
&  
Joyce

in The Sacrament of Holy Matrimony

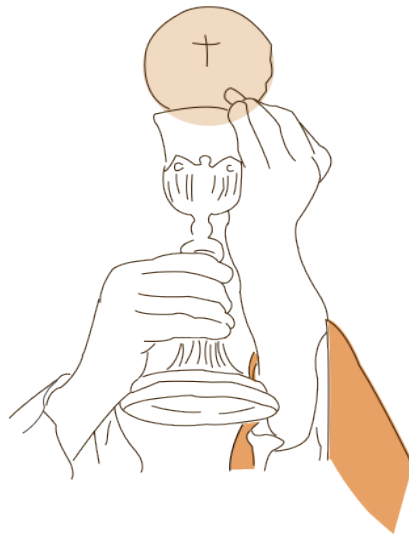
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# Welcome to our Wedding Mass!

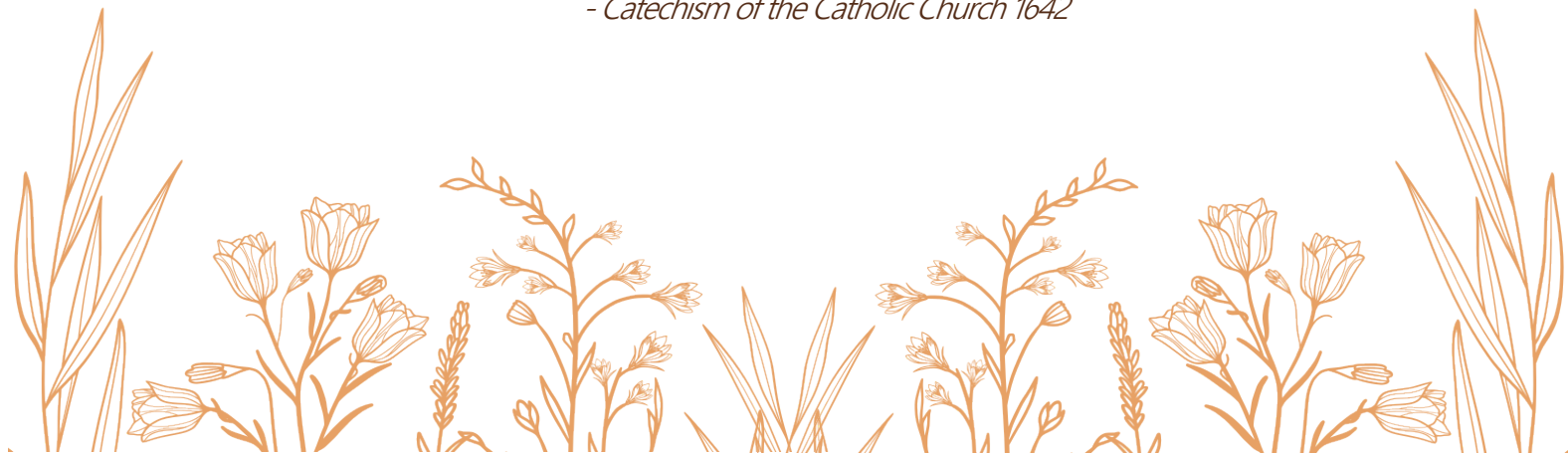
Mass is the highest form of worship for Catholic Christians. In the Wedding Mass, we administer the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony to each other before God and the congregation (including you!). The Sacrament of Holy Matrimony signifies and points to the union of Christ and the church, and gives us the grace to love each other with the love that Christ has for the church.

We invite you to immerse yourself in the beauty of the Wedding Mass, and to celebrate this very special day with us!



*"Just as of old God encountered his people with a covenant of love and fidelity, so our Saviour, the spouse of the Church, now encounters Christian spouses through the Sacrament of Matrimony. Christ dwells with them, gives them the strength to take up their crosses and so follow him, to rise again after they have fallen, to forgive one another, to bear one another's burdens, to be subject to one another out of reverence for Christ, and to love one another with supernatural, tender, and fruitful love. In the joys of their love and family life he gives them here on earth a foretaste of the wedding feast of the Lamb."*

- Catechism of the Catholic Church 1642





# Bridal Procession

*Please stand.*

**Bridal March-In**

O God Beyond All Praising (Instrumental)

**Entrance Hymn**

O God Beyond All Praising

O God beyond all praising, we worship you today  
And sing the love amazing that songs cannot repay;  
For we can only wonder at every gift you send,  
At blessings without number and mercies without end:  
We lift our hearts before you and wait upon your word,  
We honour and adore you, our great and mighty Lord.

Then hear, O gracious Saviour, accept the love we bring,  
That we who know your favour may serve you as our King;  
And whether our tomorrows be filled with good or ill,  
We'll triumph through our sorrows and rise to bless you still:  
To marvel at your beauty and glory in your ways,  
And make a joyful duty our sacrifice of praise.

*Thaxted*  
*Gustav Theodore Holst (1874-1934)*

*Michael Perry (1942-1996)*

# Introductory Rites

**Greeting**

*By signing ourselves with the Sign of the Cross, Catholics attest to our belief in the Trinitarian God and our redemption through the Cross.*

**Priest:** In the name of the Father, ✠ and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**All:** Amen.

**Priest:** 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.

**Priest:** We have come rejoicing into the house of the Lord for this celebration, dear brothers and sisters. Now we stand with Walter and Joyce on the day they intend to form a home of their own. For them, this is a moment of unique importance. So let us support them with our affection, with our friendship, and with our prayer as their brothers and sisters. Let us listen attentively with them to the word that God speaks to us today. Then, with the holy Church, let us humbly pray to God the Father, through Christ our Lord, for this couple, His servants, that He lovingly accept them, bless them, and make them always one.

## **Gloria**

*The Gloria begins by echoing the song of the angels at the birth of Christ. In this ancient hymn, the gathered assembly joins the heavenly choir in offering praise and adoration to God.*

**Priest:** Glory to God in the highest

**All:** And on earth, peace to people of good will.

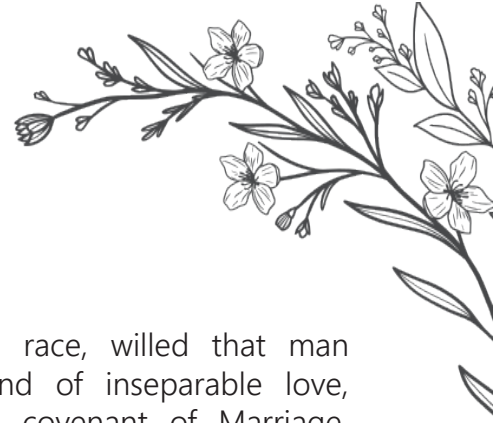
We praise you, we bless you,  
we adore you, we glorify you,  
we give you thanks for your great glory,  
Lord God, Heavenly King,  
O God, almighty Father.

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.





## Collect

**Priest:** Let us pray. O God, who in creating the human race, willed that man and wife should be one, join, we pray, in a bond of inseparable love, these Your servants who are to be united in the covenant of Marriage, so that, as You make their love fruitful, they may become, by Your grace, witnesses to charity itself. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

**All:** Amen.

*Please be seated.*

# Liturgy of the Word

*In the Liturgy of the Word, the Church feeds the people of God with the scriptures, the Word of God written under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit.*

## First Reading

Isaiah 62: 1-5

About Zion I will not be silent, about Jerusalem I will not grow weary, until her integrity shines out like the dawn, and her salvation flames like a torch. The nations then will see your integrity, all the kings your glory, and you will be called by a new name, one which the mouth of Yahweh will confer. You are to be a crown of splendour in the hand of Yahweh, a princely diadem in the hand of your God; no longer are you to be named "Forsaken" nor your land "Abandoned", but you shelled be called "My Delight", and your land "The Wedded", for Yahweh takes delight in you and your land will have its wedding. Like a young man marrying a virgin, so will the one who built you wed you, and as the bridegroom rejoices in his bride, so will your God rejoice in you.

## 读经一

依撒意亚 62: 1-5

为了熙雍我决不缄默，为了耶路撒冷我决不休息，直到她的正义显现有如光明，她的救恩燃灼有如火炬。万民都要见到你的正义，众王都要看见你的荣耀；人要给你起一个新的名号，是上主亲口所指定的。你将是上主手中的荣冠，是你天主掌中的王冕。你不再称为「被遗弃的，」你的地域也不再称为「荒凉的；」因为你要称为「我可爱的，」你的地域要称为「已婚的，」因为上主喜爱你，你的地域将要婚嫁。就如青年怎样娶处女，你的建造者也要怎样娶你；新郎怎样喜爱新娘，你的天主也要怎样喜爱你。

The word of the Lord.

**All:** Thanks be to God.

## Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 139: 1-4, 13-14, 23-24

**Response (/R):** O Lord, You search me and You know me.

1. O Lord, You search me and You know me,  
You know my resting and my rising,  
You discern my purpose from afar. **/R**
2. You mark when I walk or lie down,  
all my ways lie open to You.  
Before ever a word is on my tongue  
You know it, O Lord, through and through. **/R**
3. For it was You who created my being,  
knit me together in my mother's womb.  
I thank You for the wonder of my being,  
for the wonders of all Your creation. **/R**
4. O search me, God, and know my heart.  
O test me and know my thoughts.  
See that I follow not the wrong path  
and lead me in the path of life eternal. **/R**

## Second Reading

1 Corinthians 13: 1-7

If I have all the eloquence of men or of angels, but speak without love, I am simply a gong booming or a cymbal clashing. If I have the gift of prophecy, understanding of the mysteries there are, and knowing everything, and if I have faith in all its fullness, to move mountain, but without love, then I am nothing at all. If I give away all that I possess, piece by piece, and if I even let them take my body to burn it, but am without love, it will do me no good whatever.

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.

## 读经二

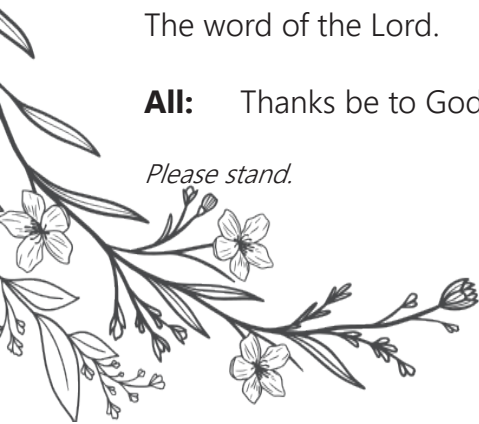
格林多人前书 13: 1-7

我若能说人间的语言，和能说天使的语言；但我若没有爱，我就成了个发声的锣，或发响的钹。我若有先知之恩，又明白一切奥秘和各种知识；我若有全备的信心，甚至能移山；但我若没有爱，我什麼也不算。我若把我所有的财产全施舍了，我若舍身投火被焚；但我若没有爱，为我毫无益处。爱是含忍的，爱是慈祥的，爱不嫉妒，不夸张，不自大，不作无礼的事，不求己益，不动怒，不图谋恶事，不以不义为乐，却与真理同乐：凡事包容，凡事相信，凡事盼望，凡事忍耐。

The word of the Lord.

**All:** Thanks be to God.

*Please stand.*





## Gospel Acclamation

Galatians 6: 14

**Cantor:** Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

**All:** Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

**Cantor:** The only thing I can boast about is the cross of our Lord,  
Through whom the world is crucified to me, and I to the world.

**All:** Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

**Priest:** The Lord be with you.

**All:** And with your Spirit.

**Priest:** A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

*Here, we trace the Sign of the Cross with our right thumb on our foreheads – that our mind may be open to God's Word, on our lips – that our voices may echo God's word, and our hearts – that the Word of God may dwell there and penetrate our entire being.*

**All:** Glory to You, O Lord.

## Gospel

Matthew 16 :24-28

Then Jesus said to his disciples, "If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself and take up his cross and follow me. For anyone who wants to save his life will lose it; but anyone who loses his life for my sake will find it. What, then, will a man gain if he wins the whole world and ruins his life? Or what has a man to offer in exchange for his life?" "For the Son of Man is going to come in the glory of his Father with his angels, and, when he does, he will reward each one according to his behaviour."

## 福音

玛窦福音 16: 24-28

于是，耶稣对门徒说：「谁若愿意跟随我，该弃绝自己，背着自己的十字架来跟随我，因为谁若愿意救自己的性命，必要丧失性命；但谁若为我的原故，丧失自己的性命，必要获得性命。人纵然赚得了全世界，却赔上了自己的灵魂，为他有什么益处？或者，人还能拿什么作为自己灵魂的代价？因为将来人子要在他父的光荣中同他的天使降来，那时，他要按照每人的行为予以赏报。」

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

*Please be seated.*



## Homily

*In the homily, the priest follows the example of Christ, explaining and interpreting the Scriptures, and urging us to accept this Word as what it truly is, the Word of God, and to put it into practice.*

# Rite of Marriage

*The Sacrament of Holy Matrimony signifies and points to the union of Christ and the church. It gives spouses the grace to love each other with the love that Christ has for the church; the grace of the sacrament thus perfects the human love of the spouses, strengthens their indissoluble unity, and sanctifies them on the way to eternal life.*

*Congregation to remain seated. Walter and Joyce to stand.*

**Priest:** Dearly beloved, you have come together into the house of the Church, so that in the presence of the Church's minister and the community your intention to enter into Marriage may be strengthened by the Lord with a sacred seal. Christ abundantly blesses you the love that binds you. Through a special Sacrament, He enriches and strengthens those He has already consecrated by Holy Baptism, that they may be faithful to each other for ever and assume all the responsibilities of married life. And so, in the presence of the Church, I ask you to state your intentions.

## The Questions before the Consent

**Priest:** Walter and Joyce, have you come here to enter into Marriage without coercion, freely and wholeheartedly?

**Walter:** I have.

**Joyce:** I have.

**Priest:** Are you prepared, as you follow the path of Marriage, to love and honour each other for as long as you both shall live?

**Walter:** I am.

**Joyce:** I am.







## The Consent

- Priest:** Walter and Joyce, since it is your intention to enter into the covenant of Holy Matrimony, join your right hands, and declare your consent before God and His Church.
- Walter:** I, Walter, take you, Joyce, to be my wife. I promise to be faithful to you, in good times and in bad, in sickness and in health, to love you and honour you all the days of my life.
- Joyce:** I, Joyce, take you, Walter, to be my husband. I promise to be faithful to you, in good times and in bad, in sickness and in health, to love you and honour you all the days of my life.

## The Reception of the Consent

- Priest:** May the Lord in His kindness strengthen the consent you have declared before the Church, and graciously bring to fulfilment His blessing within you. What God joins together, let no one put asunder. Let us bless the Lord.
- All:** Thanks be to God.

## Blessing and Exchange of Rings

- Priest:** May the Lord bless ☩ these rings, which you will give to each other as a sign of love and fidelity.
- Couple:** Amen.
- Walter:** Joyce, receive this ring as a sign of my love and fidelity.  
In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- Joyce:** Walter, take this ring as a sign of my love and fidelity.  
In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

## Lifting of the Veil

- Priest:** Walter and Joyce, you have made promises to each other in the presence of God and His Holy Church. The rings you now wear will always remain a symbol of your vows. Through the ministry of the Church, I now pronounce you husband and wife

## General Intercessions

*Please stand.*

- Priest:** Dear brothers and sisters, as we call to mind the special gift of grace and charity by which God has been pleased to crown and consecrate the love of our sister Joyce and brother Walter, let us commend them to the Lord.

**Response (/R):** Lord, we ask you, hear our prayer.

- Lector:** That Walter and Joyce, newly joined in Holy Matrimony, may always enjoy health and well-being, let us pray to the Lord. **/R**
- Lector:** That He will bless their covenant as He chose to sanctify marriage at Cana in Galilee, let us pray to the Lord. **/R**
- Lector:** That they be granted perfect and fruitful love, peace and strength, and that they bear faithful witness to the name of Christian, let us pray to the Lord. **/R**
- Lector:** That the Christian people may grow in virtue day by day and that all who are burdened by any need may receive the help of grace from above, let us pray to the Lord. **/R**
- Lector:** That the grace of the Sacrament will be renewed by the Holy Spirit in all married persons here present, let us pray to the Lord. **/R**
- Priest:** Graciously pour out upon this husband and wife, O Lord, the Spirit of Your love to make them one heart and one soul, so that nothing whatever may divide those You have joined and no harm will come to those You have filled with Your blessing. Through Christ our Lord.
- All:** Amen.

*Please be seated.*

## Liturgy of the Eucharist

*The Liturgy of the Eucharist is the second part of every celebration of the Mass. Catholics sometimes refer to it as the high point of the Mass, because while we encounter Jesus in the Word during the preceding Liturgy of the Word, we now have the opportunity to encounter Jesus tangibly in the Eucharist, the source and summit of the Christian life. It is the source, because it is where we encounter Jesus and our spirits are nourished. It is the summit, because it is the high point to which our entire spiritual life is directed.*

### Preparation of the Gifts

#### Offertory Hymn

These Alone are Enough

Take my heart, O Lord, take my hopes and dreams.  
Take my mind with all its plans and schemes.  
Give me nothing more than your love and grace.  
These alone, O God, are enough for me.

Take my thoughts, O Lord, and my memory.  
Take my tears, my joys, my liberty.  
Give me nothing more than your love and grace.  
These alone, O God, are enough for me.



I surrender, Lord, all I have and hold.  
I return to you your gifts untold.  
Give me nothing more than your love and grace.  
These alone, O God, are enough for me.



*Daniel Laurent Schutte (b. 1947)*

*St Ignatius of Loyola (1491-1556)*

### **Preparatory Prayers**

**Priest:** 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 for ever.

**Priest:** 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 for ever.

### **Invitation to Prayer**

*Please stand.*

**Priest:** Pray, brethren, 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.

### **Prayer over the Offerings**

**Priest:** Receive, we pray, O Lord, the offering made on the occasion of this sealing of the sacred bond of Marriage, and, just as Your goodness is its origin, may Your providence guide its course. Through Christ our Lord.

**All:** Amen

### **Eucharistic Prayer**

**Priest:** The Lord be with you.

**All:** And with your spirit.

**Priest:** Lift up your hearts.

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

**Priest:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**All:** It is right and just.

## Preface

*The Church gives thanks to the Father, through Christ, in the Holy Spirit, for all his works: creation, redemption, and sanctification of the human race.*

**Priest:** It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give You thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God.

For You willed that the human race, created by the gift of Your goodness, should be raised to such high dignity that in the union of husband and wife You might bestow a true image of your love. For those You created out of charity You call to the law of charity without ceasing and grant them a share in Your eternal charity. And so, the Sacrament of holy Matrimony, as the abiding sign of Your own love, consecrates the love of man and woman, through Christ our Lord.

Through Him, with the Angels and all the Saints, we sing the hymn of Your praise, as without end we acclaim:

## Sanctus

**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.

*Please kneel. Non-Catholics may kneel or be seated.*

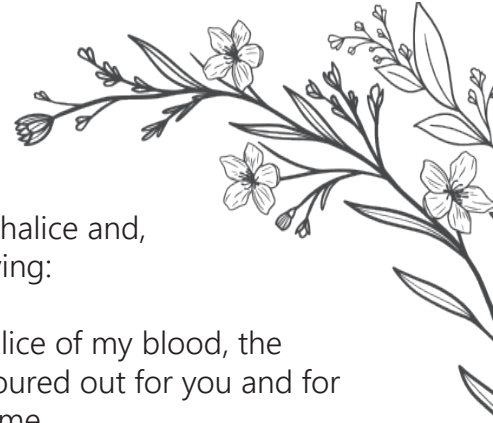
## Eucharistic Prayer II

*Catholics believe the words of Jesus at the Last Supper when He took bread 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." Each time the Church obeys Christ's command to celebrate the Last Supper in His memory, the bread and wine are transformed in their substance, that is, their deepest essence, into the Body and Blood of Christ. In clinging on to this truth, just as the Church has since ancient times, we echo the words of Peter in John 6: "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life."*

**Priest:** You are indeed holy, O Lord, the fount 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  $\text{✠}$  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.

### **Memorial Acclamation**

*The Church, fulfilling the command that she received from Christ the Lord through the Apostles, keeps the memorial of Christ, recalling His blessed Passion, glorious Resurrection, and Ascension into heaven.*

**Priest:** The mystery of faith.

**All:** We proclaim Your Death, O Lord, and profess Your Resurrection until You come again.

**Priest:** 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, by 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 William our Bishop and all the clergy.

Be mindful also, Lord, of Walter and Joyce, whom You have brought to their wedding day, so that by Your grace they may abide in mutual love and in peace.

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 Blessed Joseph, her Spouse, with all 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.

### **Concluding Doxology**

**Priest:** 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, for ever and ever.

**All:** Amen.

*Please stand.*

## The Lord's Prayer

**Priest:** At the Saviour's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to sing:

**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

*Congregation to remain standing. Walter and Joyce to kneel.*

**Priest:** Dear brothers and sisters, let us humbly pray to the Lord, that on these His servants, now married in Christ, He may mercifully pour out the blessing of His grace and make of one heart in love (by the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood) those He has joined by a holy covenant.

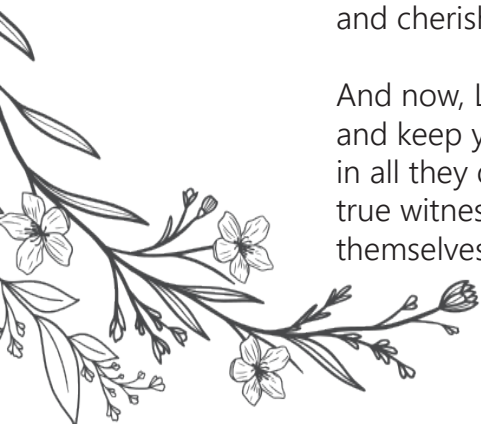
O God, who by Your mighty power created all things out of nothing, and, when You had set in place the beginnings of the universe, formed man and woman in Your own image, making the woman an inseparable helpmate to the man, that they might no longer be two, but one flesh, and taught that what You were pleased to make one must never be divided;

O God, who consecrated the bond of Marriage by so great a mystery that in the wedding covenant You foreshadowed the Sacrament of Christ and His Church;

O God, by whom woman is joined to man and the companionship they had in the beginning is endowed with the one blessing not forfeited by original sin nor washed away by the flood. Look now with favour on these your servants, joined together in Marriage, who ask to be strengthened by your blessing. Send down on them the grace of the Holy Spirit and pour Your love into their hearts, that they may remain faithful in the Marriage covenant.

May the grace of love and peace abide in your daughter Joyce, and let her always follow the example of those holy women whose praises are sung in the Scriptures. May her husband entrust his heart to her, so that, acknowledging her as his equal and his joint heir to the life of grace, he may show her due honour and cherish her always with the love that Christ has for his Church.

And now, Lord, we implore you: may these your servants hold fast to the faith and keep your commandments; made one in the flesh, may they be blameless in all they do; and with the strength that comes from the Gospel, may they bear true witness to Christ before all; may they be blessed with children, and prove themselves virtuous parents, who live to see their children's children.



And grant that, reaching at last together the fullness of years  
for which they hope, they may come to the life of the blessed in the  
Kingdom of Heaven. Through Christ our Lord.

**All:** Amen.

### Sign of Peace

*The sign of peace has its liturgical and spiritual roots in Jesus' teaching on forgiveness prior to offering gifts on the altar. As we offer a sign of peace with one another through a smile while saying "Peace be with you", we also offer this sign to anyone who we have not yet forgiven in our hearts.*

**Priest:** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**All:** And with your spirit.

**Priest:** Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

### Breaking of the Bread

**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.

*Please kneel. Non-Catholics may kneel or be seated.*

### Invitation to Communion

**Priest:** 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

*It is in the Eucharist that Catholic married couples meet the one who is the source of their marriage. Receiving the Eucharist as their "first meal" together is a beautiful expression of the newlyweds' reliance on God to sustain and strengthen them throughout their lives.*

*Please note that Holy Communion is only for baptised and practising Catholics in a state of grace. Non-Catholics are encouraged to come forward to receive a blessing with their arms crossed in front of their chest.*





## Communion Hymn

Jesus, My Lord, My God, My All

Jesus, my Lord, my God, my all,  
How can I love thee as I ought?  
And how revere this wondrous gift,  
So far surpassing hope or thought?  
Sweet sacrament, we thee adore!  
O make us love thee more and more,  
O make us love thee more and more.

O see within a creature's hand,  
The vast Creator deigns to be.  
Reposing infant like as though,  
On Joseph's arm, or Mary's knee.  
Sweet sacrament, we thee adore!  
O make us love thee more and more,  
O make us love thee more and more.

O see upon the altar placed,  
The Victim of divinest love!  
Let all the earth below adore,

And join the choirs of heaven above.  
Sweet sacrament, we thee adore!  
O make us love thee more and more,  
O make us love thee more and more.

*Sweet Sacrament*

*Frederick William Faber (1814-1863)  
Romischkatholisches Gesangbuchlein, 1826*

## Thanksgiving Hymn

O Jesus, I Have Promised

O Jesus, I have promised to serve thee to the end;  
Be thou for ever near me, my Master and my friend:  
I shall not fear the battle if thou art by my side,  
Nor wander from the pathway if thou wilt be my guide.

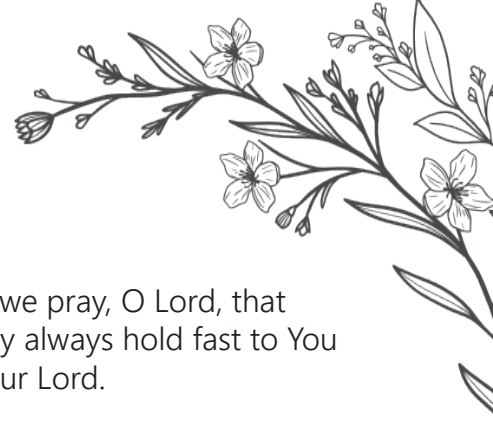
O Jesus, thou hast promised to all who follow thee,  
That where thou art in glory there shall thy servant be;  
And Jesus I have promised to serve thee to the end:  
O give me grace to follow, my Master and my friend.

*Wolvercote*

*John Ernest Bode (1816-1874)  
William Harold Ferguson (1874-1950)*

*Please stand.*





## Prayer after Communion

**Priest:** Let us pray. Having been made partakers at your table, we pray, O Lord, that those who are united by the Sacrament of Marriage may always hold fast to You and proclaim Your name to the world. Through Christ our Lord.

**All:** Amen.

# The Concluding Rites

## Solemn Blessing and Dismissal

**Priest:** Let us pray. May God the eternal Father keep you of one heart in love for one another, that the peace of Christ may dwell in you and abide always in your home.

**All:** Amen.

**Priest:** May you be blessed in your children, have solace in your friends and enjoy true peace with everyone.

**All:** Amen.

**Priest:** May you be witnesses in the world to God's charity, so that the afflicted and needy who have known your kindness may one day receive you thankfully into the eternal dwelling of God.

**All:** Amen.

**Priest:** And may almighty God bless all of you, who are gathered here, the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit.

**All:** Amen.

**Priest:** Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life.

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

*Please be seated.*

## Signing of the Marriage Registers

### Hymn during the Signing

Abide with Me (Instrumental)

## Presentation to Our Lady

Salve Regina

*By her complete adherence to the Father's will, Mary is the Church's model of faith and charity. The couple presents a bouquet to Mary to thank her for her intercessions and ask that she continue to pray for them in their new state of life.*

Salve, Regina, mater misericordiae:  
Vita, dulcedo, et spes nostra, salve.  
Ad te clamamus, exsules, filii Hevae.  
Ad te suspiramus, gementes et flentes  
in hac lacrimarum valle.  
Eia ergo, Advocata nostra,  
illos tuos misericordes oculos  
ad nos converte.  
Et Iesum, benedictum fructum ventris tui,  
nobis, post hoc exilium ostende.  
O clemens, O pia, O dulcis Virgo Maria.

Our life, our sweetness, and our hope!  
To thee do we cry, poor banished  
children of Eve,  
to thee do we send up our sighs,  
mourning and weeping in this valley of  
tears.  
Turn, then, most gracious advocate,  
thine eyes of mercy toward us;  
and after this our exile show unto us  
the blessed fruit of thy womb Jesus;  
O clement, O loving, O sweet virgin Mary.

## Concluding Hymn

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!  
O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy health and salvation!  
All ye who hear, now to His temple draw near;  
Praise Him in glad adoration!

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee;  
Surely His goodness and mercy here daily attend thee.  
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do,  
If with His love He befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord, O let all that is in me adore Him!  
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before Him.  
Let the amen sound from His people again,  
Gladly for all we adore Him!

LOBE DEN HERREN

*Joachim Neander (1650-1680)  
William Sterndale Bennett (1816-1875)*



# Thank you for coming!

We hope that you enjoyed attending our Wedding Mass! Please stay back for a photograph with us.

## Group Photography Sequence

### *Family*

1. Father Jude
2. Walter's father's family
3. Walter's father's family and Joyce's immediate family
4. Joyce's immediate family
5. Walter's mother's family and Joyce's immediate family
6. Walter's mother's family
7. Joyce's extended family (Dad's side)
8. Joyce's extended family (Mom's side)

### *Joyce's friends*

9. Gai Gai
10. HBB
11. Inappropriate RTs
12. MOM
13. MOE

### *Walter's friends*

14. HCI Band
15. SAF Band
16. A-men
17. Harry Elias, Allen & Gledhill, Drew & Napier
18. Velocity Global
19. NUS Law CG, SOCL, SOW

### *Mutual friends*

20. MPC
21. Ankaa
22. 这几年，我们成何体统？
23. Steamboat Gang
24. Cathedral Choir, Cathedral RCIA
25. Praying Hamsters, Awaken My Heart
26. NUS Choir
27. Lighthouse Community

*Loved our hymns? Check out our  
Wedding Mass Spotify playlist!*



*"How can I ever express the  
by the Church, strengthened  
blessing, announced by angels,  
How wonderful the bond  
one in hope, one in desire,  
same service! They are both  
servants of the same Master,  
truly two in one flesh. Where  
the spirit."*



*happiness of a marriage joined  
by an offering, sealed by a  
and ratified by the Father?...  
between two believers,  
one in discipline, one in the  
children of one Father and  
undivided in spirit and flesh,  
the flesh is one, one also is*

*- Tertullian, Ad uxorem*