Exchange of Consent

Et primo quidem sponsum interroget: N. Vis accípere N. hic præséntem in tuam legítimam uxórem juxta ritum sanctæ matris Ecclésiæ?

Respondeat sponsus: Volo.

Mox Sacerdos sponsam interroget: N. Vis accípere N. hic præséntem in tuum legítimum marítum juxta ritum sanctæ matris Ecclésiæ?

Respondeat sponsa: Volo.

Nec sufficit consensus unius, sed debet esse amborum, et expressus verbis, si loqui possint, aut secus æquipollentibus signis, sive fiat per se, sive per procuratorem. Mutuo autem contrahentium consensu intellecto, Sacerdos jubeat eos invicem jungere dexteras, et dicat:

Ego conjúngo vos in matrimónium. In nómine Patris, et Fílii, X et Spíritus Sancti. Amen.

Vel aliis utatur verbis juxta receptum uniuscujusque loci ritum.

Postea eos aspergat aqua benedicta. Mox benedicat anulum, dicens:

- V. Adjutórium nostrum in nómine Dómini.
- R. Qui fecit cælum et terram.
- V. Dómine, exáudi oratiónem meam.
- R. Et clamor meus ad te véniat.
- V. Dóminus vobíscum.
- R. Et cum spíritu tuo.

First the priest asks the groom: N., do you take N. here present, for your lawful wife according to the rite of our holy mother, the Church?

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The bridegroom responds: I do.

Then he asks the bride: N., do you take N., here present, for your lawful husband according to the rite of our holy mother, the Church?

She replies: I do.

The consent of one does not suffice, but consent must be given by both-expressed in words, if possible, but otherwise through equivalent signs, whether personally or through a proxy. After he has received the consent of the parties, the priest tells them to join their right hands, and says:

By the authority of the Church I ratify and bless the bond of marriage you have contracted. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, + and of the Holy Spirit.

Vel aliis utatur verbis juxta receptum uniuscujusque loci ritum.

Then he sprinkles them with holy water. Next the priest blesses the ring saying:

- V. Our help is in the name of the Lord.
- R. Who made heaven and earth.
- V. O Lord, hear my prayer.
- R. And let my cry come to you.
- V. The Lord be with you.
- R. And with thy spirit.

Blessing and Exchange of Ring(s)

Orémus.

Bénedic, Dómine, ánulum hunc, quem nos in tuo nómine benedícimus: ut, quæ eum gestáverit, fidelitátem íntegram suo sponso tenens, in pace et voluntáte tua permáneat, atque in mútua caritáte semper vivat. Per Christum Dóminum nostrum. R. Amen.

Deinde Sacerdos aspergat anulum aqua benedicta; et sponsus acceptum anulum de manu Sacerdotis imponat in digito anulari sinistræ manus sponsæ, Sacerdote dicente:

In nómine Patris, et Fílii, X et Spíritus Sancti. Amen.

Mox Sacerdos subjungat:

- V. Confirma hoc, Deus, quod operátus es in nobis.
- R. A templo sancto tuo, quod est in Jerúsalem.

Kýrie, eléison. Christe, eléison. Kýrie, eléison.

Pater noster secreto usque ad

- V. Et ne nos indúcas in tentatiónem.
- R. Sed líbera nos a malo.
- V. Salvos fac servos tuos.
- R. Deus meus, sperántes in te.
- V. Mitte eis, Dómine, auxílium de sancto.
- R. Et de Sion tuére eos.
- V. Esto eis, Dómine, turris fortitúdinis.
- R. A fácie inimíci.
- V. Dómine, exáudi oratiónem meam.
- R. Et clamor meus ad te véniat.
- V. Dóminus vobíscum.
- R. Et cum spíritu tuo.

Orémus.

Réspice, quæsumus, Dómine, super hos fámulos tuos: et institútis tuis, quibus propagatiónem humáni géneris ordinásti, benígnus assíste; ut qui te auctóre jungúntur, te auxiliánte servéntur. Per Christum Dóminum nostrum. R. Amen.

His expletis, si benedicendæ sint nuptiæ, Parochus Missam pro Sponso et Sponsa, ut in Missali Romano, celebret, servatis omnibus quæ ibi præscribuntur. Let us pray.

Bless O Lord, this ring, which we are blessing in Thy name, so that she who wears it, keeping faith with her husband in unbroken loyalty, may ever remain at peace with Thee, obedient to Thy will, and may live with him always in mutual love. Through Christ our Lord. R. Amen.

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The priest then sprinkles the ring with holy water. The husband, taking the ring from the priest's hand, places it upon the ring finger of his wife's left hand, saying:

Take and wear this ring as a sign of our marriage vows. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

Then the priest adds:

- V. Strengthen, O God, what you have wrought in us.
- R. From your holy temple, which is in Jerusalem.

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Our Father silently as far as...

- V. And lead us not into temptation.
- R. But deliver us from evil.
- V. Save your servants.
- R. Who trust in you, my God.
- V. Send them help, O Lord, from your sanctuary.
- R. And sustain them from Sion.
- V. Be a tower of strength for them, O Lord.
- R. Against the attack of the enemy.
- V. O Lord, hear my prayer.
- R. And let my cry come to you.
- V. The Lord be with you.
- R. And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

We beg you, Lord, to look on these your servants, and graciously to uphold the institution of marriage established by you for the continuation of the human race, so that they who have been joined together by your authority may remain faithful together by your help. Through Christ our Lord. R. Amen.

After this, if the nuptial blessing is to be given, the Mass pro Sponso et Sponsa is celebrated, according to the rubrics of the Roman Missal.