### Rite of Marriage (1969)

**Rite for Celebrating Marriage during Mass**  
*bracketed texts denote optional parts*

**INTRODUCTORY RITES**

- **ENTRANCE RITE**
  - [Rite of Welcome] (at the door or at altar)
  - Procession/Entrance Song
  - Sign of the Cross/GREETING
- **PENITENTIAL RITE**
  - [GLORY TO GOD (when called for)]
- **OPENING PRAYER**

**LITURGY OF THE WORD**

- First Reading
- Responsorial Psalm
- [Second Reading]
- Gospel Acclamation
- Gospel
- **HOMILY**

**RITE OF MARRIAGE**

- Address to the Couple
- Questions to the Couple

**CONSENT**

- Receiving their Consent

**BLESSING AND EXCHANGE OF RINGS**

- **GENERAL INTERCESSIONS**
  - [PROFESSION OF FAITH (when called for)]

### Order of Celebrating Matrimony (2016)

**The Order of Celebrating Matrimony within Mass**  
*bracketed texts denote optional parts*

**THE INTRODUCTORY RITES**

- **FIRST FORM OR SECOND FORM** – Greeting of the Bride and Groom (before or after procession)
  - Entrance Procession/Entrance Chant
  - Sign of the Cross/Greeting of the People
  - Introduction
  - *Gloria in excelsis*
  - Collect

**LITURGY OF THE WORD**

- **THE FIRST READING**
- **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**
- [**THE SECOND READING**]
- **THE ALLELUIA AND THE VERSE BEFORE THE GOSPEL**
- **THE GOSPEL**
- **HOMILY**

**THE CELEBRATION OF MATRIMONY**

- Address to the Couple
- **THE QUESTIONS BEFORE THE CONSENT**
- **THE CONSENT**
  - **THE RECEPTION OF THE CONSENT**  
    (with acclamation by the people)
- **THE BLESSING AND GIVING OF RINGS**
  - [**THE BLESSING AND GIVING OF THE ARRAYS**]
  - [Hymn or Canticle of Praise by whole community]
- **THE UNIVERAL PRAYER**
  - [Creed (when called for)]
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### Rite of Marriage (1969)

**Rite for Celebrating Marriage outside Mass**  
[bracketed texts denote optional parts]

**INTRODUCTORY RITES**

[Rite of Welcome] (at the door or at the altar)

Procession/Entrance Song

Sign of the Cross/Greeting

[Brief Pastoral Exhortation]

Opening Prayer

**LITURGY OF THE WORD**

**RITE OF MARRIAGE**

Address to the Couple

Questions to the Couple

**CONSENT**

Receiving their Consent

**BLESSING AND EXCHANGE OF RINGS**

**GENERAL INTERCESSIONS AND NUPTIAL BLESSING**

**CONCLUSION OF THE CELEBRATION**

[The Lord’s Prayer]

[Solemn] Blessing

Dismissal

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### Order of Celebrating Matrimony (2016)

**Order of Celebrating Matrimony without Mass**  
[bracketed texts denote optional parts]

**THE INTRODUCTORY RITES**

**FIRST FORM OR SECOND FORM – Greeting of the Bride and Groom (before or after procession)**

Entrance Procession/Entrance Chant

Sign of the Cross/Greeting of the People

Introduction

Collect

**THE LITURGY OF THE WORD**

**THE CELEBRATION OF MATRIMONY**

Address to the Couple

**THE QUESTIONS BEFORE THE CONSENT**

**THE CONSENT**

**THE RECEPTION OF THE CONSENT**  
(with acclamation by the people)

**THE BLESSING AND GIVING OF RINGS**

[Hymn or Canticle of Praise by whole community]

**THE UNIVERSAL PRAYER**

**THE LORD’S PRAYER**

**THE BLESSING AND PLACING OF THE Lazo OR THE VEIL**

**THE NUPTIAL BLESSING**

**THE CONCLUDING RITE**

[Solemn] Blessing

Recessional

[Signing of the Record]
Comparing the Rite of Marriage & the Order of Celebrating Matrimony

Rite of Marriage (1969)
Rite for Celebrating Marriage between a Catholic and an Unbaptized Person
[bracketed texts denote optional parts]

[RITE OF WELCOME] (at the door or another appropriate place) AND LITURGY OF THE WORD (may have one to three readings)

RITE OF MARRIAGE
Address to the Couple
Questions to the Couple
CONSENT
Receiving Their Consent

[BLESSING AND EXCHANGE OF RINGS]

[GENERAL INTERCESSIONS AND NUPTIAL BLESSING]

CONCLUSION OF THE CELEBRATION
[The Lord’s Prayer or other prayer]
[Solemn] Blessing

Order of Celebrating Matrimony (2016)
Order of Celebrating Matrimony between a Catholic and a Catechumen or a Non-Catholic
[bracketed texts denote optional parts]

[THE RITE OF RECESSION]
[Greeting of the Bridal Party (before procession)]
[Entrance Procession]
[Introduction]

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD
(may have one or two readings)

THE CELEBRATION OF MATRIMONY
Address to the Couple

THE QUESTIONS BEFORE THE CONSENT

THE CONSENT

THE RECESSION OF THE CONSENT
(with acclamation by the people)

[THE BLESSING AND GIVING OF RINGS]

[THE BLESSING AND GIVING OF THE LAZO OR THE VEIL]

[Hymn or Canticle of Praise]

THE UNIVERSAL PRAYER

The Lord’s Prayer (Christians only)

[THE BLESSING AND PLACING OF THE LAZO OR THE VEIL]

[THE NUPTIAL BLESSING] or Prayer

THE CONCLUSION OF THE CELEBRATION
Blessing
[Chant]
Recessional
[Signing of the license]