

# **WEDDING PROGRAM: HELPFUL HINTS & ORDER OF WORSHIP**

## **HOW SHOULD WE TITLE OUR PROGRAM?**

If you are marrying outside of Mass, you can put something like “The Wedding Liturgy of ...” If Mass is included, you can title your wedding “The Nuptial Mass of ...” Note that the word “ceremony” should be omitted as the liturgy or nuptial Mass terminology is appropriate for Catholic weddings. If you list the name of the priest or deacon in your program, they should be referred to as either the Presider or Celebrant

<b>ORDER OF WORSHIP – WEDDING LITURGY</b>
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When creating your wedding program, use this format:
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**PROCESSION OF THE BRIDAL PARTY**  
(Music citation)

**PROCESSION OF THE BRIDE**  
(Music citation)

**GREETING**

**COLLECT**

**LITURGY OF THE WORD**

*To see a selection of readings to choose from for your wedding, please visit our web site, <http://www.sbmsn.org> and click on the “Religious Ed & Sacraments” tab and choose “Marriage”.*

**First Reading (Book Chapter:Verse(s))**

**Responsorial Psalm (Psalm XXX)**

**Second Reading (Book Chapter:Verse(s))**

**Gospel**

**Homily**

**RITE OF MARRIAGE**

**Questions before Consent**

**Consent and Reception of Consent**

**Following the reception of consent, there is a response for the assembly, and this must be printed in the wedding programs:**

**Celebrant: Let us bless the Lord.**

**All: Thanks be to God.**

**Blessing and Giving of Rings**

**Blessing and Giving of the Arras (coins) - optional**

**Lighting of the Unity Candle - optional**

**GENERAL INTERCESSIONS / UNIVERSAL PRAYER**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**BLESSING AND PLACING OF THE LAZO/VEIL - OPTIONAL**

**NUPTIAL BLESSING**

**CONCLUDING RITES**

**Final Blessing and Dismissal**

**Presentation of the Couple**

**RECESSIONAL**

**(Music citations)**

## **ORDER OF WORSHIP – NUPTIAL MASS**

When creating your wedding program for a nuptial Mass, use this format:

**PROCESSION OF THE BRIDAL PARTY**  
(Music citation)

**PROCESSION OF THE BRIDE**  
(Music citation)

**GREETING**

**GLORIA**

**COLLECT**

**LITURGY OF THE WORD**

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**First Reading (Book Chapter:Verse(s))**

**Responsorial Psalm (Psalm XXX)**

**Second Reading (Book Chapter:Verse(s))**

**Gospel**

**Homily**

**RITE OF MARRIAGE**

**Questions before Consent**

**Consent and Reception of Consent**

**Following the reception of consent, there is a response for the assembly, and this must be printed in the wedding programs:**

**Celebrant: Let us bless the Lord.**

**All: Thanks be to God.**

**Blessing and Giving of Rings**

**Blessing and Giving of the Arras (coins) - optional**

**GENERAL INTERCESSIONS / UNIVERSAL PRAYER**

## **LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST**

**Preparation of the Altar**

**Presentation of the Gifts**

**Eucharistic Prayer**

**Holy Holy (sung)**

**Memorial Acclamation (sung)**

**Great Amen (sung)**

**Lord's Prayer**

**Blessing and Placing of the Lazo/Veil - optional**

**Nuptial Blessing**

**Lamb of God (sung)**

**Distribution of Holy Communion  
(Music citation)**

## **CONCLUDING RITES**

**Final Blessing and Dismissal**

**Presentation of the Couple**

**RECESSIONAL  
(Music citations)**

**PLEASE MAKE SURE TO SEND THE DIRECTOR OF LITURGY  
A COPY OF YOUR PROGRAM BEFORE IT IS SENT TO PRINT!  
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