

Dear Friend in Christ,

Congratulations on your engagement and upcoming Marriage in the Catholic Church. Be assured of our prayers as you prepare and plan for the Mass or Service that will unite you as husband and wife with Christ. It is our hope that your participation in the planning and celebration of your Wedding will bring you joy and hope as you begin your married life together.

You will find suggestions for the Scripture Readings which can be read by a family member or a friend. The full text and proper translation of the Scripture Readings you choose are available at www.shofjesus.com under 'Mass & Sacraments', choose 'Marriage' or print copies can be provided to the readers prior to the wedding.

The Prayers of the Faithful or Petitions can also be read by a family member or a friend. Suggested petitions can be found here or at the website above.

You will also find song suggestions here and online at the website above for the Opening, Offertory, Communion and Closing songs and for the Responsorial Psalm between the readings.

You may also choose family members to assist in the offertory presentation of bread and wine (for a Mass only).

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SUGGESTED SCRIPTURE READINGS

(Choose one under each heading below)

First Reading – from the Old Testament

___ Genesis 2:18-24 “I will make a suitable partner for him.”

___ Tobit 8:4b-8 “...and they started to pray...”

___ Proverbs 3:10-13, 19-20, 30-31 “When one finds a worthy wife...”

___ Sirach 26:1-4, 13-16 “Blessed the husband of a good wife.”

To be read by _____

Second Reading – from the New Testament

___ Romans 15:1b-3a, 5-7, 13 “Welcome on another, then, as Christ welcomed you...”

___ I Corinthians 6:13c-15a, 17-20 “...your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you...”

___ I Corinthians 12:31 – 13:8a “Love is patient, love is kind.”

___ Philippians 4:4-9 “Then the peace of God will be with you.”

___ Colossians 3:12-17 “...over all these put on love...”

___ Hebrews 13:1-4a, 5-6b “Let marriage be honored among all.”

___ I John 4:7-12 “...let us love one another...”

To be read by _____

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL (PETITIONS)

(Sample petitions can be reworded to better fit a given situation)

For our Holy Father Pope _____, all the bishops and clergy everywhere that they may lead us to deeper faith in God and a stronger love for others, we pray to the Lord . . .

For leaders of government that they may be effective in achieving peace and eliminating poverty, we pray to the Lord . . .

For married couples that they may continue to give, be able to forgive and find happiness deepen with the passing of each day, we pray to the Lord . . .

For (bride) and (groom) now beginning their life together, that they may have divine assistance at every moment, the constant support of friends, the rich blessing of children, a love reaching out to others and good health, we pray to the Lord . . .

For those who are sick, lonely, discouraged or in any need, that they may be strengthened by God's help and aided by their friends, we pray to the Lord . . .

For those who have died, especially the relatives and friends of (bride) and (groom) and of all present, that they may enjoy perfect happiness and total fulfillment in eternal life, we pray to the Lord . . .

For the personal needs we mention in the silence of our hearts (pause), we pray to the Lord . . .

To be read by _____

The Offertory Gifts of Bread, Wine and Water will be presented by

SUGGESTED MUSIC

(Choose one under each heading below)

Processional Music

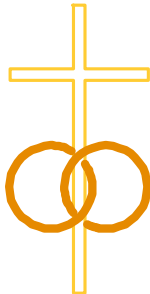
- Bridal Chorus (Wagner)
- Canon in D (Pachelbel's Canon)
- Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring (Bach)
- Processional from the *Royal Fireworks Suite* (Handel)
- Trumpet Tune (Purcell)
- Trumpet Voluntary (Clark or Purcell)

Responsorial Psalm

- Psalm 34 – Taste and See the goodness of the Lord, the goodness of the Lord.
- Psalm 100 – We are God's people, the flock of the Lord.
- Psalm 103 – The Lord is kind and merciful, the Lord is kind and merciful.
- Psalm 128 – Blest are those who love you, happy those who follow you, blest are those who seek you, O God.
- Psalm 145 – I will praise your name, my King and my God. I will praise your name, my King and my God.

Offertory Song

- Amazing Grace
- Ave Maria
- Eye Has Not Seen
- God In The Planning
- Hail Mary: Gentle Woman
- Here, I Am Lord
- Lord Of All Hopefulness
- Love Endures All Things
- Make Me A Channel of Your Peace (Prayer Of St. Francis)
- Remember Your Love
- The Servant Song
- We Walk By Faith



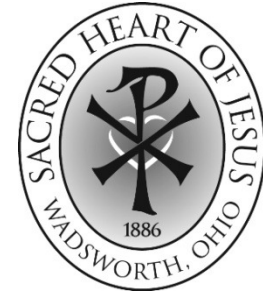
Communion Song

- Blest Are They
- Eye Has Not Seen
- Gift of Finest Wheat
- I Am the Bread of Life
- Now We Remain
- On Eagle's Wings
- One Bread, One Body
- Song of the Body of Christ
- You Are Mine
- You Are Near

Recessional Music

- Hornpipe (from Handel's Water Music)
- Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring (Bach)
- Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee
- Processional from the Royal Fireworks Suite (Handel)
- Rondeau (Mouret)
- Trumpet Tune (Purcell)
- Trumpet Voluntary (Clark or Purcell)
- With Trumpets and Horns (Handel)

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