

The Wedding Mass

of

N and N

Church of

In,,,

On,,,,,,,



Marriage.....

Means so many things

That words and vows can't say

It's the loving little gestures

That warms the heart each day.

It's the look that says

"I Love You"

It's the smile that says

"I Care"

It's the touch that says

"There's nothing dearer than the love we share"



Our Wedding Day



Celebrant: *Fr. Stan Deegan*

Bride: *N*

Groom: *N*

Best man: *N*

Groomsmen: *N*

N

Chief Bridesmaid: *N*

Bridesmaids: *N*

N

Offertory Procession: *N*

N

Prayer after Communion: *N*

♪♪ **Singer:** *N*

Procession

Music ♪♪

Symbol of Light

N and N each light a separate candle signifying that they are both individual people coming today to be joined together in their love for one.

Introductory Rite

Fr. Stan: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen

Fr. Stan: The Lord be with you

All: And with your spirit.

The Penitential Rite

Fr. Stan: Coming together as God's family, with confidence let us ask the Father's forgiveness, for he is full of gentleness and compassion.

All: I confess to almighty God, and to you my brother and sisters, that I have greatly sinned in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done, and in what I have failed to do through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault: therefore I ask the blessed Mary, ever virgin, all the Angels and saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

Fr. Stan: May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

All: Amen

Fr. Stan: Lord, have mercy

All: Lord, have mercy

Fr. Stan: Christ, have mercy

All: Christ, have mercy

Fr. Stan: Lord, have mercy

All: Lord, have mercy

The Gloria

*Glory to God in the highest,
And on earth, peace to men of goodwill
We praise You, We bless You, We adore You, We glorify You.
We give You thanks for Your great glory.
O Lord God, Heavenly King, God the Father almighty.
O Lord Jesus Christ, the Only begotten Son.
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father:
You who take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.
You who take away the sins of the world, hear our prayer.
You who sit at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.
For You alone are Holy. You alone are the Lord.
You alone, O Jesus Christ, are most high.
Together with the Holy Spirit in the glory of God the Father.
Amen*

Opening Prayer

Fr. Stan: Let us pray.

*Father, You have made the bond of marriage a holy mystery,
A symbol of Christ's love for this Church.
Hear our prayers for N and N.
With faith in You and in each other they pledge their love today.
May their lives always bear witness to the reality of that love.
We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and
reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.*

All: Amen

Liturgy of the word

First Reading (or alternative Old Testament reading)

'A reading from the book of Sirach,

A loving partner is a safe shelter,
Whoever finds one has found a rare treasure,
A loving partner is something beyond price,
There is no measuring their worth.
A loving partner is a live saving remedy,
And those who respect the lord will find true love,
And as a person is, so is their loved one.
The word of the lord.
Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm (Sung)

Music 

Second Reading (or alternative New Testament reading.)

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

Love is always patient and kind; Love is not jealous
or envious,
Never boastful or proud, never rude or selfish.
Love does not demand its own way; it is not irritable
or resentful.
It is never glad about injustice, but rejoices whenever the
truth wins out.
Love takes no pleasure in other peoples sins but delights
in the truth

If you love someone, you will be loyal to them no matter what the cost.

You will always believe them, and always stand your ground defending them.

All the gifts and powers from God will someday come to an end, but love goes on forever.

The word of the Lord.

All

Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation:

♪♪ **Music**

Gospel Reading

Fr. Stan *The Lord be with you*

All: ***And with your spirit.***

Fr. Stan: ***A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John***
17:20-26

(or alternative Gospel reading.)

*Jesus raised his eyes to heaven and said:
Holy Father, I pray not only for these, but for those also
who through their words will believe in me.*

May they all be one. Father, may they be one in us, as you are in me and I am in you, so that the world may believe it was you who sent me. I have given them the glory you gave to me, that they may be one as we are one. With me in them and you in me, may they be so completely one that the world will realise that it was you who sent me and that I have loved them as much as you loved me. Father, I want those you have given me to be with me where I am, so that they may always see the glory you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world. Father, Righteous One, the world has not known you, but I have known you, and these have known that you have sent me. I have made your name known to them and will continue to make it known, so that the love with which you loved me may be in them, and so that I may be in them

Fr. Stan: *The Gospel of the Lord.*

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

The Rite of Marriage

Fr. Stan:

Dear children of God, You have come today to pledge your love before God and before the Church here present in the person of the priest, your families and friends. In becoming husband and wife you give yourselves to each other for life. You promise to be true and faithful, to support and cherish each other until death, so that your years together will be the living out in love of the pledge you now make. May your love for each other reflect the enduring love of Christ for his Church. As you face the future together, keep in mind that the Sacrament of marriage unites you with Christ, and brings you, through the years, the grace and blessing of God our Father. Marriage is from God: he alone can give you the happiness which goes beyond human expectation, and which grows deeper through the difficulties and struggles of life.

Put your trust in God as you set out together in life. Make your home a centre of Christian family life. (In this you will bequeath to your children a heritage more lasting than temporal wealth).

The Christian home makes Christ and his Church present in the world of everyday things. May all who enter your home find there the presence of the Lord; for he has said:

“Where two or three are gathered together in my name, where am I in the midst of them”

Fr. Stan:

Now, as you are about to exchange your marriage vows the Church wishes to be assured that you appreciated the meaning of what you do and so I ask you' have you come here of your own free will and choice to marry each other?

N and N:

We have

Fr. Stan:

Will you love and honour each other in marriage all the days of your life?

N and N:

We will.

Fr. Stan

Are you willing to accept with love the children God may send you, and bring them in accordance with the Law of Christ, and his Church?

N and N:

We are

Declaration of Consent

Fr. Stan: I invite you then to declare before God and his Church your consent to become husband and wife.

N: I, N, take you, N, as my wife,
for better, for worse,
for richer, for poorer, in sickness and in health,
all the days of our life.

N; I, N, take you, N, as my husband,
for better, for worse,
for richer, for poorer
in sickness and in health,
all the days of our life.

Fr. Stan: What God joins together man must not separate. May the Lord confirm the consent that you have given and enrich you with his blessings.

All: Amen

Blessing of the Rings

Fr Stan: Lord, bless N and N and consecrate their married life. May these rings be a symbol of their faith in each other, and a reminder of their love. Through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen

Groom; N wear this ring as a sign of our love & fidelity. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

Bride; N, wear this ring as a sign of our love & fidelity. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

Prayer of the Newly Married Couple

*We thank you Lord, and we praise you
For bringing us to this happy day
You have given us to each other.
Now, together, we give ourselves to you.*

*We ask you, Lord make us one in our love
Keep us one in your peace.
Protect our marriage. Bless our home.
Make us gentle. Keep us faithful.
And when our life is over unite us again
Where parting is no more
In the kingdom of your love
There we will praise you in the happiness
And peace of our eternal home.
Amen*

The Lighting of the Marriage Candle

Fr Stan:

Now that N and N have been united in marriage they are one in God's sight. As a symbol of this oneness they will together light one candle from the flame of their individual candles, proclaiming again that no longer can their lives be separate.

 *Music*

Prayers of the Faithful

We pray for N and N that their lives together will be filled with joy and love. That they may always be loyal and true friends to each other. That together they will be able to cope with the challenges of life. May their home be one of happiness and love and bless them on their journey through life. Lord hear us

All: Lord graciously hear us.

We pray for all here present that god may give you peace in your hearts for today, hope in your hearts for tomorrow and love in your hearts forever. Lord hear us

All: Lord graciously hear us.

N We Pray for all our departed who are no longer with us but whose memory remains strong in our hearts. May they continue to watch over us and guide N and N as they start their married life together. Lord hear us.

All: Lord graciously hear us.

N On this special day we ask that you bless N and N on their journey through life. May they rejoice with one another in moments of strength and be compassionate towards each other in moments of weakness. May they love and appreciate one another for who they are. Lord hear us

All: Lord graciously hear us.

N We pray for family and friends of N and N and all who have helped them become husband and wife. Lord hear us

All: Lord graciously hear us.

N We pray for the private intentions of those present today. God, grant us the serenity to accept the things we cannot change, the courage to change the things we can and the wisdom to know the difference. Lord hear us.

All: Lord graciously hear us.

Fr Stan : Almighty and everlasting God, listen to these prayers which we make with trust in Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord.

Offertory Procession

The gifts of bread and wine are presented at the altar.

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Fr. Stan: *Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation. Through your goodness we have this bread to offer, which earth has given, and human hands have made. It will become for us the bread of life.*

All: *Blessed be God forever.*

Fr. Stan: *Blessed are you Lord, God of all creation. Through your goodness We have this wine to offer, fruit of the vine and work of human Hands. It will become our spiritual drink.*

All: *Blessed be God forever.*

Fr. Stan: *Lord God, we ask you to receive us and be pleased with the sacrifice we offer with humble and contrite hearts. Lord wash away my iniquities and cleanse me from my sins.*

Prayer Over the Gifts

Fr. Stan: *Pray, brothers and sisters that our sacrifice 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.*

Fr. Stan: *Lord, accept our offering for this newly married couple, N and N. By your love and providence you have brought them together; now bless them all the days of their married life.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.*

All: *Amen*

The Eucharist Prayers

Fr. Stan: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

Fr. Stan: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to the Lord.

Fr. Stan: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

All: It is right and just.

*Fr. Stan: It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation,
Always and everywhere we 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*

*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.*

Fr. Stan: 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 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 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 everlasting covenant
Which will be poured out for you and for many
For the forgiveness of sins
Do this in memory of me.*

Fr. Stan: The mystery of faith

*All: We proclaim your Death, O Lord,
And profess your Resurrection
Until you come again*

*Fr. Stan: Father, calling to mind the death your Son endured for our salvation,
His glorious resurrection and ascension into heaven and ready to
greet him when he comes again, we offer you in thanksgiving his
holy and living sacrifice. Look with favour on your Church's
offering and see the victim whose death has reconciled us to
yourself.*

*Grant that we, who are nourished by his body and blood, may be
Filled with his holy Spirit and become one body, one spirit in Christ.
May he make us an everlasting gift to you and enable us to share in
the inheritance of your saints, with Mary, the virgin Mother of God.
With the apostles, the martyrs, and all your saints on whose constant
Intercession we rely for help. Lord, may this sacrifice which has
made our peace with you, advance the peace and salvation of all
the world.*

Strengthen in faith and love your pilgrim Church on earth:

*Your servant Pope Francis, our Bishop Tom and all the bishops,
with the clergy and the entire people your Son has gained for you.
Father, hear the prayers of the family you have gathered here before
You. In mercy and love unite all your children wherever they may
be. Welcome into your kingdom our departed brothers and sisters,
and all those who have left this world in your friendship.*

We hope to enjoy forever the vision of your glory, through Christ

our Lord, from whom all good things come.

Through Him, with Him, in Him

*In the unity of the of the Holy Spirit, All glory and honour is yours, Almighty Father,
Forever and ever.*

All

Amen

Communion Rite

Fr. Stan:

Let us pray, with confidence, to the Father in the words our Saviour gave us:

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.

The Nuptial Blessing

Fr. Stan:

*Let us ask God to bless N and N now married in Christ, and unite them in his love
(through, the sacrament of his body and blood).*

*God, our father, creator of the universe, you made man and woman in your own
likeness, and blessed their union. We humbly pray to you for this bridegroom and
bride, today united in the sacrament of marriage. May your blessing come upon them.
May they find happiness in their love for each other, (be blessed in their children,) and
enrich the life of the Church. May they praise you in their days of happiness and turn
to you in times of sorrow. May they know the joy of your helping their work and the
strength of your presence in their need. May they worship you with the church and be
your witness in the world. May old age come to them in the company of their friends,
and may they reach at least the kingdom of heaven.*

We ask this through Christ Our Lord.

All:

Amen

*Fr. Stan: Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles:
I leave you peace, my peace I give to you.
Look not on our sins, but on the faith of your church,
And grant us the peace and unity of your kingdom,
Where you live forever and ever*

Fr. Stan: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

All: And with your spirit.

Fr. Stan: Let us offer the sign of peace.

♪♪ Music

*Fr. Stan: May this mingling of the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus
Christ bring eternal life to us who receive it.*

*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.*

*Fr. Stan: 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

♪♪ Music

Prayer after Communion

*Today is a day you will always remember,
a great day in anyone's life,
You'll start the day just two people in love
and end it as husband and wife.
It's a brand new beginning, the start of a journey,
with moments to cherish and treasure,
And although there'll be times when you both disagree,
these will surely be outweighed by pleasure.
You'll have heard many words of advice in the past,
when the secrets of marriage were spoken,
But now you know that the answers lie hidden inside,
where the bond of true love lies unbroken.
So live happy forever as lovers and friends,
It's the dawn of a new life for you,
as you stand there together with love in your eyes
from the moment you whisper "I Do".
And with luck, and God's help,
all your hopes and dreams can be real,
may success find its way to your hearts.
Tomorrow can bring you the greatest of joys,
but today is the day it all starts*

*Fr. Stan: Let us pray.
Lord, in your love you have given us this Eucharist to unite
us with one another, and with you, as you have made
N and N one in this Sacrament of Marriage,
So we now make them one in their love for each other.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.*

All: Amen.

Concluding Rite & Blessing

Fr. Stan: The Lord be with you

All: And with your spirit.

Fr. Stan: May God, the almighty Father, grant you his joy: may he bless you in your children.

All: Amen.

Fr. Stan: May Jesus Christ, the Son of God, in his mercy help you in good times and in bad,.

All: Amen.

Fr. Stan: May the Holy Spirit of God always fill you with his love.

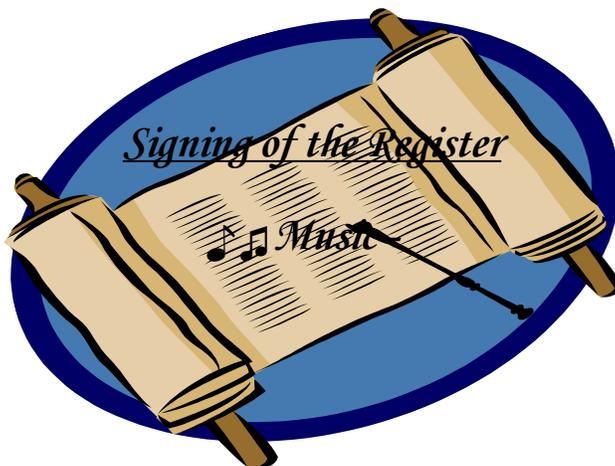
All: Amen.

*Fr. Stan: May Almighty God bless you,
The Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.*

All: Amen.

Fr. Stan: The mass has ended, go in the peace to love and serve the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.



Recessional

♪♪ Music



;