

# THE ORDER OF CELEBRATING MATRIMONY WITHIN MASS

## RITE I

### \*Prelude Music

*Option 1 – All instrumental*

*Option 2 – Instrumental with one vocal or choral solo before the procession*

### The Introductory Rites

Greeting of the Bride and Groom

*Option 1 – Priest or Deacon at the door of the church*

*Option 2 – Priest or Deacon after the procession when all are in their places*

\*Entrance Procession (The entire wedding party including cross bearer, servers, priest, bridesmaids with groomsmen, bride and groom together, or a variation)

*Option 1 – A sung chant/hymn*

*Option 2 – One instrumental piece for all*

Sign of the Cross and Greeting of the People

Introduction

\*Glory to God

*Sung by cantor leading all*

Opening Prayer

### The Liturgy of the Word

First Reading

\*Responsorial Psalm

*Sung by cantor leading all*

Second Reading

\*Gospel Acclamation

*Sung by cantor leading all*

Gospel

Homily

### The Celebration of Matrimony

Address to the Bride and Groom

The Questions before the Consent

The Consent

The Reception of the Consent

\*Acclamation

*Sung by cantor leading all*

*Option 1 – Let us bless the Lord. Thanks be to God.*

*Option 2 – Alleluia! (or another suitable acclamation)*

The Blessing and Giving of Rings

[The Blessing and Giving of the Arras – optional]

The Universal Prayer (Prayer of the Faithful)

### The Liturgy of the Eucharist

\*Presentation of the Gifts

*Sung or instrumental*

Prayer over the Offerings

\*Holy, Holy, Holy

*Sung by cantor leading all*

The Eucharistic Prayer

\*Memorial Acclamation

\*Great Amen

[The Blessing and Placing of the *Lazo* or Veil]

The Lord's Prayer

The Nuptial Blessing

Sign of Peace

\*Lamb of God

\*Distribution of Communion

Period of Silent Prayer

Prayer after Communion

*Sung by cantor leading all*

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### **The Concluding Rite**

Solemn Blessing

\*The Recessional

*Sung or instrumental*

\*indicates musical portions