Sample Wedding Program Celebrating Marriage within Mass

Note: Words or phrases in [brackets] indicate where to insert your selections Topics labeled as (**Optional**) should be omitted from program, if not used.

Wedding Ceremony

Prelude

Processional

[insert title and composer for bridesmaid music] [insert title and composer for bride's music]

Gloria (optional)

Opening Prayer

Liturgy of the Word (Please Sit)

First Reading: [insert ex. Gen. 1:26-28, 31]

Lector: The Word of the Lord.
All: Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm: [insert ex. Ps 148:1-4, 9-14]

Please sing in response:

[insert ex. Let all praise the name of the Lord.]

Second Reading: [insert ex. 1 Cor. 12:31 - 13:8]

Lector: The Word of the Lord.
All: **Thanks be to God.**

(Please Stand)

Gospel Acclamation: [insert ex. 1 John 4:16]

Please sing in response: Alleluia!

Gospel: [insert ex. Mark 10:6-9]

Priest or Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.
All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily: (Please Sit)

Rite of Marriage

Consent and Exchange of Vows Blessing and Exchange of Rings

Prayer of the Faithful

<u>Liturgy of the Eucharist</u> (Please Sit)

Music for the Preparation of the Altar/Gifts: [insert hymn title and #]

Preface Holy, Holy

Memorial Acclamation

Great Amen

The Lord's Prayer

Nuptial Blessing

Sign of Peace

Lamb of God

[Use these or similar words to catechize guests about who may receive Communion]

Because Catholics believe that the celebration of the Eucharist is a sign of the reality of the oneness of faith, life, and worship, members of those churches with whom we are not yet fully united are regrettably unable to receive Communion. At this time, please pray for the day when we may all be united in one Eucharist.

Communion Hymn: [insert hymn title and #]

Final Blessing

Dedication to the Blessed Virgin Mary *(optional)*:

[insert music title, i.e. Ave Maria]

Recessional:

[insert title and composer for exit music]

To Our Guests: Pictures will be taken immediately following the ceremony. Due to time constraints, [bride] and [groom] will personally greet everyone at the reception.**

(**Note: Use this or similar message in your program to comply with our policy of no pew dismissal or receiving line at the church. If the guests do not leave their pews right away, i.e. expecting to be dismissed by the bride/groom, please advise your ushers or groomsmen to assist them in exiting their pews.)