



ORDER OF SERVICE

*A celebration of marriage between*

Hannah Frances  
Rushton

&

James Peter  
Birtwistle

Saturday 22nd July 2023 at 1pm  
St. Peter's Church, Stonyhurst, Lancashire

Thank you for coming to our wedding celebration. It means a lot to us that you are witnesses to our marriage vows and that you are sharing in this special day. Fr. Tim Curtis will lead the service and guide us throughout. Please feel free to join in wherever it says 'all' and during the hymns.

**THE WEDDING PARTY  
CELEBRANT**

Fr. Tim Curtis SJ

**PARENTS OF THE BRIDE**

Stephen and Maria  
Rushton

**PARENTS OF THE GROOM**

David and Maureen  
Birtwistle

**MAID OF HONOUR**

Lucy Rushton

**BEST MAN**

Thomas Fitzmaurice

**BRIDESMAIDS**

Jadie Renwick  
Rachel Cunliffe

**GROOMSMAN**

Robert Banister  
James Cunliffe  
Peter McHugh

**USHER**

Dominic Rushton

**WITNESSES**

Maria Rushton  
Maureen Birtwistle

**AUTHORISED PERSON**

John Thomasson

**ORGANIST**

Greg Mann

**ORGAN**

Horace

**CHOIR**

Rossendale Male  
Voice Choir



**STRING QUARTET**

Northern String

**We kindly ask that you refrain from taking photos during the ceremony and that mobile phones are placed on silent or switched off.**

## **HYMN - As I Kneel Before You**

*As I kneel before you,  
As I bow my head in prayer,  
Take this day, make it yours  
and fill me with your love.*

*Ave Maria,  
Gratia plena,  
Dominus tecum,  
Benedicta tu.*

*All I have I give you,  
Every dream and wish are yours,  
Mother of Christ,  
Mother of mine, present them to my Lord.*

*Ave Maria,  
Gratia plena,  
Dominus tecum,  
Benedicta tu.*

*As I kneel before you,  
And I see your smiling face,  
Ev'ry thought, ev'ry word  
Is lost in your embrace.*

*Ave Maria,  
Gratia plena,  
Dominus tecum,  
Benedicta tu.*

**Nuptial Blessing**  
By Fr. Tim Curtis

### **Signing of the Register**

At this point, Hannah and James, along with their witnesses,  
will go to sign the civil register.

Music by Rossendale Male Voice Choir

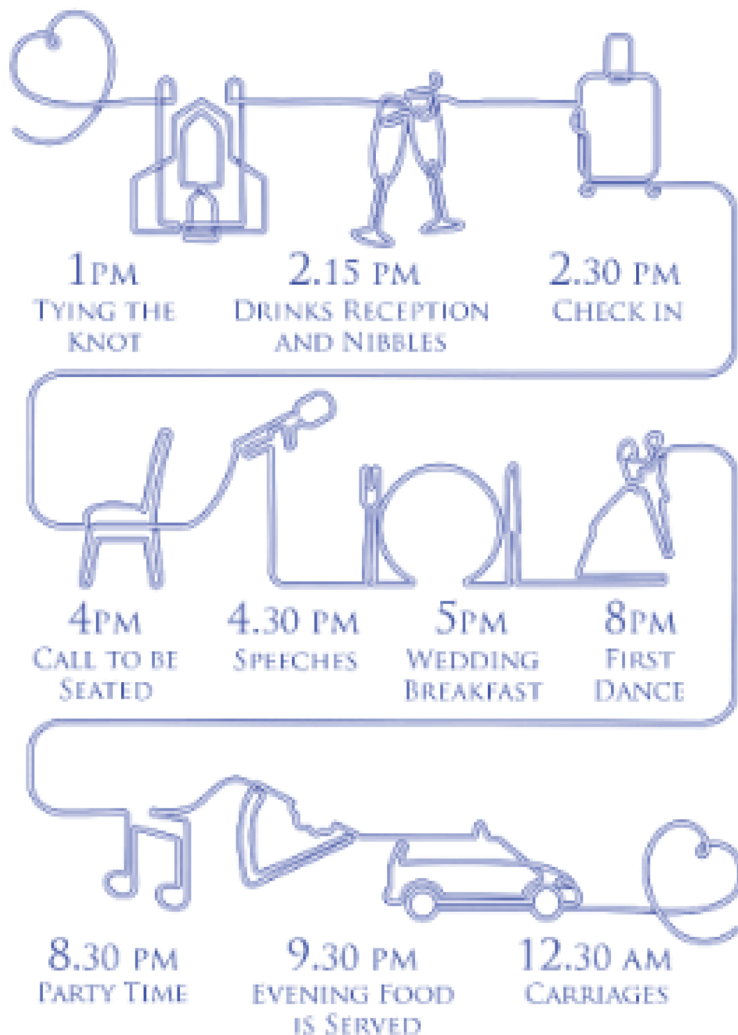
**Final Blessing**  
By Fr Tim Curtis

**Recessional**

A special thank you to the Rossendale Male Voice Choir and their tribute to Hannah's late Uncle Peter.

**We, the new 'Mr and Mrs Birtwistle', would like to thank you all for coming. Please enjoy this day and let it be but a small gift for all you have done for us.**

### Order of the Day



***"When it comes to love, the best catch of all is finding someone you can share your life with."***