

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

**All: Amen.**

Fr Peter: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**All: And with your spirit.**

## **INTRODUCTION AND OPENING PRAYER**

...one God, for ever and ever.

**All: Amen.**

All then sit for the First Reading

### **FIRST READING**

*Read by Liz Oates*

1 Corinthians 12: 31–13: 8

If I am without love, it will do me no good whatever.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God**

Fr Peter: The Lord be with you.

**All: And with your spirit**

Fr Peter: A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

**All: Glory to you, O Lord.**

### **GOSPEL READING**

John 2: 1 –11

This was the first of the signs given by Jesus - at Cana in Galilee.

Fr Peter: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

## HOMILY

### THE RITE OF MARRIAGE

After receiving the consent of the couple Fr Peter invites those present to praise God:

Fr Peter: Let us bless the Lord

**All: Thanks be to God**

## HYMN

One more step along the world I go,  
One more step along the world I go.  
From the old things to the new,  
Keep me travelling along with you.

**Refrain:** *And it's from the old I travel to the new,  
Keep me travelling along with you.*

Round the corner of the world I turn,  
More and more about the world I learn.  
All the new things that I see,  
You'll be looking at along with me. **[Refrain]**

As I travel through the bad and good,  
Keep me travelling the way I should.  
Where I see no way to go  
You'll be telling me the way I know. **[Refrain]**

Give me courage when the world is rough,  
Keep me loving though the world is tough.  
Leap and sing in all I do,  
Keep me travelling along with you. **[Refrain]**

You are older than the world can be,  
You are younger than the life in me.  
Ever old and ever new,  
Keep me travelling along with you. **[Refrain]**

### **BIDDING PRAYERS**

*Read by Jane Moore*

During the Bidding Prayers the following response is used:

Reader: Lord, hear us.

**All: Lord, graciously hear us.**

The Bidding Prayers conclude with the following prayer:

Fr Peter: Let us commend ourselves and all God's people, living and departed, to Mary, Mother of God and wife of Joseph the carpenter.

**Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death. Amen.**

Fr Peter: At the Saviour's command, and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

**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.**

## NUPTIAL BLESSING

Fr Peter: The Lord be with you.

**All: And with your spirit.**

Fr Peter: May almighty God bless all of you, who are gathered here,  
the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

**All: Amen.**

Fr Peter: Go in peace.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

## NON-SCRIPTURAL READING

*Read by Adam Brush and Kay Heenan*

A Recipe for a Happy Marriage

## HYMN

I danced in the morning when the world was begun,  
and I danced in the moon and the stars and the sun,  
and I came down from heaven and I danced on the earth -  
at Bethlehem I had my birth.

**Refrain:** *Dance, then, wherever you may be,  
I am the Lord of the Dance, said he.  
And I'll lead you all, wherever you may be,  
and I'll lead you all in the Dance, said he.*

I danced for the scribe and the pharisee  
but they would not dance and they wouldn't follow me,  
I danced for the fishermen, for James and John -  
they came with me and the Dance went on. **[Refrain]**