

## ***Penitential Rite***

**Fr Pat.** invites the people to ask God to forgive their sins.  
My brothers and sisters, to prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred  
mysteries, let us call to mind our sins.

**After a brief silence, all make the same prayer for forgiveness.**

**All.** I confess to almighty God, and to you, my brothers and sisters,  
that I have greatly sinned in my thoughts and in my words and in  
what I have failed to do, They strike their breast  
through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault;  
therefore, I ask 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 Pat.** May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and  
bring us to everlasting life.

**All.** Amen

**Fr Pat.** Lord, have mercy. **All.** Lord, have mercy.

**Fr Pat.** Christ, have mercy. **All.** Christ, have mercy.

**Fr Pat.** Lord, have mercy. **All.** Lord, have mercy.

## *The Gloria*

**Fr Pat. & All.** Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to his people on earth,  
Lord God, heavenly King,  
Almighty God and Father,  
We worship you; we give you thanks,  
We praise you for your glory.  
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
You take away the sin of the world:  
Have mercy on us;  
You are seated at the right hand of the Father:  
Receive our prayer.  
For you alone are the Holy One,  
You alone are the Lord,  
You alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ,  
With the Holy Spirit,  
In the glory of God, the Father.  
Amen.

## ***Opening Prayer***

**Fr Pat.** Let us pray.

**Father, you have made the bond of marriage**

**A holy mystery,**

**A symbol of Christ's love for his Church.**

**Hear our prayers for Kieran. and Beckie.**

**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***

**A reading from the Old Testament. Like the sun rising in the Lord's**

**heavens, the beauty of a**

**virtuous wife is the radiance of her home (Sirach**

**26:1-4, 13-16).**

**Read by Joanne Langston.**

**Responsorial Psalm**

**A reading from the New Testament. Let marriage be held in honor by**

**all (Hebrews 13:1-**

**4a, 5-6b)**

**Read by Gary Slaughter**

**Fr Pat.** 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 family 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, there am I in the midst of them."

**Fr Pat.** Now, as you are about to exchange your marriage vows the Church wishes to be assured that you appreciate 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?

**Both:** We have

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

**Both:** We will

**Fr Pat.** Are you willing to accept with love the children God may send you, and bring them up in accordance with the law of Christ, and his Church?

**Both:** We are.

## ***Declaration of Consent***

**Fr Pat.** then invites the couple to declare their consent.

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

**They join hands**

**Kieran.** I, Kieran., take you, Beckie.as my wife,

**For better, for worse,**

**For richer, for poorer,**

**In sickness and in health,**

**Till death do us part.**

**Beckie.** I, Beckie., take you, Kieran. as my husband,

**For better, for worse,**

**For richer, for poorer,**

**In sickness and in health,**

**Till death do us part.**

## ***Blessing of Rings***

**Fr Pat,** Almighty God, bless this ring (these rings),  
symbol(s) of faithfulness and unbroken love.

**May Kieran. and Beckie. always be true to each other,**

**may they be united in love forever,**

**Through Christ, our Lord.**

**Both.** Amen

**Kieran places Beckie's ring on her finger.**

**He may say:**

**Beckie., wear this ring as a sign of our faithful love. \***

**In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and the Holy Spirit.**

**Beckie may place a ring on Kieran's finger.**

**She may say:**

**Kieran, wear this ring as a sign of our faithful love. \***

**In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and the Holy Spirit.**

**Kieran & Beckie.** 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 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

Or our eternal home.

Amen.

### ***Prayer of the Faithful***

**Read by Brian Bradley, Ted and George Langston**

**B:** For Kieran. and Beckie. that the Lord,

Who has brought them to this happy day

Will keep them forever

In fidelity and love. Let us pray to the lord

**All.** Lord, hear our prayer.

**B:** For the parents of Kieran. and Beckie., for their friends and all who have  
helped them to become husband and wife. Let us pray to the lord

**All.** Lord, hear our prayer.

**B:** That the Lord may bless the world with his peace and protection of his  
love. Let us pray to the lord

**All.** Lord, hear our prayer.

**T:**For our community and our families, who welcome Christ into their lives;  
that they learn to receive him in the poor and suffering people of this  
world. Let us pray to the lord  
**All.** Lord, hear our prayer.

**T:**For God's Church, the Bride of Christ, that it may be united in faith and  
love. Let us pray to the lord  
**All.** Lord, hear our prayer.

**T:**For all who are victims of injustice, and for those deprive of love and  
affection. Let us pray to the lord  
**All.** Lord, hear our prayer.

**G:**For married couples everywhere that their lives will be an example to the  
world of unity, fidelity and love. Let us pray to the lord  
**All.** Lord, hear our prayer.

**G:**For those who mourn, while we are rejoicing, that in their suffering and  
loneliness that may experience the strength of God's support. Let us pray to  
the lord  
**All.** Lord, hear our prayer.

**G:**For the faithful departed and especially for those whom we, ourselves,  
have loved, that God will one day unite us again in the joys of our eternal  
home. Let us pray to the lord  
**All.** Lord, hear our prayer.

## ***Profession of Faith***

### **The Creed**

## ***Liturgy of the Eucharist***

***Megan Connor and Kat Byford bring Offertory to the altar. The preparation of the gifts continues in the usual way.***

### ***Prayer over the Gifts***

**Fr Pat.** invites the people to pray.

**Pray, brethren, 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 Church.

**Fr Pat.** then says the prayer over the gifts.

**Lord, accept the gifts we offer you on this happy day. In your fatherly love watch over and protect Beckie and Kieran, whom you have united in marriage. We ask this through Christ our Lord.**

**All.** Amen

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## ***The Eucharistic Prayer***

**Fr Pat.** Father, all powerful and ever living God, we do well always and everywhere to give you thanks. By this sacrament your grace unites man and woman in an unbreakable bond of love and peace.

You have designed the chaste love of husband and wife for the increase both of the human family and of your own family born in baptism.

You are the loving Father of the world of nature; You are the loving Father of the new creation of grace. In Christian marriage you bring together the two orders of creation; nature's gift of children enriches the world and you grace enriches also your Church. Through Christ the choirs of angels and all the saint praise and worship your glory. May our voices blend with theirs as we join in their unending hymn;

This is followed by **Fr Pat & All.**

Holy Holy Lord, God of power and might,  
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.

## ***Acclamation of the people***

### ***Communion Rite***

#### ***The Lord's Prayer***

**Fr.Pat** invites the people to pray.

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

All. Our Father, who are 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 Pat.** Let us ask God to bless Kieran. and Beckie., now married in Christ, and unite them in his love (through the sacrament of his body and blood).

Silent prayer. Then the priest continues:

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 help in their work and the strength of your presence in their need. May they worship you with the church and be your witnesses in the world. May old age come to them in the company of their friends, and may they reach at last the kingdom of heaven. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

C. Amen.

**Fr Pat.** Lord Jesuse Christ, you said to your apostles: I leave you peace, my peace I give 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 for ever and ever.

**Amen.**

**The peace of the Lord be with you always.**

**All.** And with you your Spirit

**let us offer each other the sign of peace.**

**Fr Pat then invites the people to communion.**

## ***Communion Antiphon***

### ***Prayer after Communion***

**Fr Pat.** Almighty God, may the sacrifice we have offered and the eucharist we have shared strengthen the love of Kieran and Beckie and give us all your fatherly aid. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen

The register may now be signed at some suitable place in or near the sanctuary.

### ***Concluding Rite***

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

Amen

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

Amen

**Fr Pat** May the Holy Spirit of God always fill you with his love.

Amen

### ***Blessing and Dismissal***

**Fr Pat.** May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

Amen

**Fr Pat.** The Mass is ended, go in peace. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.