Order of Service

St. Etheldreda's Church, Ely Place, London



WELCOME TO THE MARRIAGE OF

Antonia Kathleen Henbest

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Ian David Louis Massie

Saturday 18th November 2023

We have arranged for professional photographers to capture the day and will share photos with our guests. We kindly ask that you do not take photographs or video during the ceremony.
Due to local regulations, the use of confetti on the church premises or in Ely Place is unfortunately forbidden.

Nuptial Blesssing

The Lords Prayer

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.
Amen

Final Blessing & Dismissal

The Signing of the Marriage Schedule

Ava Maria, (Franz Schubert)

Recessional

Wedding March, (Felix Mendelssohn)

The Church of St. Etheldreda's

St. Etheldreda's was the town chapel of the Bishop of Ely from about 1250 to 1570. It is the oldest Catholic church in England and one of only two remaining buildings in London from the reign of Edward I.

The church has had many uses over the centuries, including as a prison and as a hospital for soldiers during the Civil War. In 1531, Henry VIII held a banquet here, which lasted for five days. In 1576, Sir Christopher Hatton, a favourite with Queen Elizabeth I, took an interest in the lands surrounding the chapel of St. Etheldreda's, wanting to use them to build a new palace with spacious gardens. Bishop Cox refused to grant Sir Christopher a lease and so received a letter from Elizabeth I.

Shortly thereafter, Sir Christopher was granted his lease in return for £10, a few bales of hay and one red rose per year.

The church was purchased at auction in 1873 by the Institute of Charity (Rosminian Fathers), who still serve St. Etheldreda's today.

We would like to thank

Father Tom Thomas Robert Patterson, Organist The Choir of St. Etheldreda's Church

Bridesmaids: Francesca Henbest, Sarah Abbey

Best Man: Piers Stevens Usher: Tom Feehan Flower girl: Sienna Stevens

Page boy: Sebastian Stevens

Witnesses: Joanna Massie and Helen Gordon-Smith

All our family and friends for making today a treasured day.
We also remember those who are no longer with us, especially lan's father David.