

## **The Preface**

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## **The Declarations & Giving Away**

### **Reading**

**'Love Actually'- 1 Corinthians Chapter 13**

**Read by Peter O'Reilly**

*Love is patient, love is kind.*

*It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud.*

*It does not dishonour others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it*

*keeps no record of wrongs.*

*Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth.*

*It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.*

*Love never fails.*

### **Reading**

**'The Blessing of the Apaches'**

**Read by Niall O'Reilly**

*Now you will feel no rain*

*For each of you will be shelter to the other.*

*Now you will feel no cold*

*For each of you will be warmth to the other.*

*Now there is no more loneliness for you*

*For each of you will be companion to the other.*

*Now you are two bodies*

*But there is only one life before you.*

## **Address**

### **The Vows & Giving of the Rings**

### **The Proclamation**

### **The Blessing of the Marriage**

### ***Prayers including the Lord's 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.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
the power and the glory,  
for ever and ever.  
Amen.*

## Reading

### **"Wedding Poem"- Whitney Hanson**

**Read by Charlotte Armstrong**

*They say that sometimes  
love starts with a spark.  
And that might be true,  
but if I were to wish you a love,  
I wouldn't wish fire for you.  
You see, fire is powerful.  
It burns bright and then it's gone.  
It's beautiful and warm,  
but it doesn't last long.  
So instead of wishing you a love that burns,  
I wish you a love like a river twists and turns.  
It changes and it flows,  
It is powerful and free.  
But it consistently finds its way back to the sea.  
And so like the water,  
I hope your love is ever growing, ever changing.  
I hope your love is powerful and free,  
And may you always find each other,  
Like a river finds the sea.*

## Registration of the 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.*

### Chorus:

*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.*

### Chorus

*I danced on the Sabbath and I cured the lame;  
The holy people said it was a shame.  
They whipped and they stripped  
And they hung me on high,  
And they left me there on a Cross to die.*

### Chorus

*I danced on a Friday when the sky turned black —  
It's hard to dance with the devil on your back.  
They buried my body and they thought I'd gone,  
But I am the Dance, And I still go on.*

### Chorus

*They cut me down  
And I leapt up high;  
I am the life  
That'll never, never die;  
I'll live in you  
If you'll live in me —  
I am the Lord Of the Dance, said he.*

### Chorus