The Introductory Rites

The Introductory Rites help the faithful come together as one, establish communion and prepare themselves properly to listen to the Word of God and to celebrate the Eucharist worthily.

Entrance Procession

All stand as the bridal party enters in procession.

Music: Romantic Flight - John Powell, (Played by Olivia Geddes)

Sign of the Cross

All make the Sign of the Cross as the priest says:
In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
All reply: Amen.

Greeting

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

All reply: And with your spirit.

Introduction

The priest welcomes everyone to the celebration and invites all present to pray for and support the couple.

Priest: Let us pray.

And all pray in silence with the priest for a while.

Then the priest says the Collect prayer, at the end of which the people acclaim: Amen.

The Liturgy of the Word

By hearing the word proclaimed in worship, the faithful again enter into the unending dialogue between God and the covenant people, a dialogue sealed in the sharing of the Eucharistic food and drink.

First Reading

1 Corinthians 12: 31-13: 8a

To indicate the end of the reading, the reader acclaims: The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 32 (33)

After the First Reading the psalmist says the Psalm, with the people making the response: **The Lord fills the earth with his love**

~All Stand~

Gospel Acclamation

The assembly stands to sing or say the Gospel Acclamation to welcome the Gospel. They remain standing in honour of the Gospel reading, the high point of the Liturgy of the Word.

All: Alleluia! Alleluia!
God is love;
let us love one another
as God has loved us.
Alleluia!

Gospel Reading:

John 2: 1-11

Priest: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

Priest: A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

The priest makes the Sign of the Cross on the book and, together with the people, on his forehead, lips, and breast. At the same time the people acclaim: Glory to you, O Lord.

At the end of the Gospel, the priest acclaims: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

~All be seated~

The Homily

At the end of the Homily it is appropriate for there to be a brief silence for reflection.

The Celebration of Marriage

God disposed man and woman for each other so that they might be 'no longer two but one'. In this way they are to live in love, be fruitful, and this way become a sign of God himself, who is nothing but overflowing love.

~All Stand~

Introduction The Questions before the Consent

The priest asks the couple about their freedom of choice, fidelity to each other, and the acceptance and upbringing of children.

The Civil Declaration of Freedom

The couple declare their freedom to marry.

The Consent

The couple give their consent to one another, pledging to love and cherish their spouse for ever.

The Reception of the Consent

The priest prays for the couple. He then invites those present to praise God.

Priest: Let us bless the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

The Blessing and Giving of Rings

The couple exchange rings as a sign of their marriage.

Hymn: Sing Hosanna

 Give me oil in my lamp, keep me burning, give me oil in my lamp, I pray; give me oil in my lamp, keep me burning, keep me burning till the break of day.

Chorus:

Sing hosanna, sing hosanna, sing hosanna to the King of kings! Sing hosanna, sing hosanna, sing hosanna to the King!

2. Give me love in my heart, keep me serving, give me love in my heart, I pray; give me love in my heart, keep me serving, keep me serving till the break of day. [Repeat Chorus]

The Universal Prayer

After each intention there is a pause while the faithful pray.

Priest: Lord, in your mercy.

All: Hear our prayer.

The priest concludes the Prayer with a collect.

~All be seated~

The Nuptial Blessing

The priest prays for and blesses the couple so that they may grow in love and fidelity. At the end of the long prayer the people acclaim: Amen.

~All stand~ Holy Communion

The priest fetches the Blessed Sacrament from the tabernacle, places the ciborium upon the altar, and genuflects. Then he introduces the Lord's Prayer.

The Lord's Prayer

Priest: 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.

The priest says: Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

And those present exchange a sign of peace. When this is completed, all kneel. The priest genuflects, shows the Sacred Host to the people, and says:

Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

All: Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

People who are practising Catholics may go forward to receive Holy Communion. People of another denomination, or another faith, or of no declared faith, may go forward and receive a blessing if they wish. The minister will explain how to indicate that one desires a blessing.

Communion Hymn: Amazing grace

Amazing grace! how sweet the sound,
That saved a wretch; like me!
I once was lost, but now am found,
Was blind, but now I see.

The Lord has promised good to me, his word my hope secures; he will my shield and portion be as long as life endures.

Prayer after communion

The priest says a brief prayer which ends: Through Christ our Lord. **All reply: Amen.**

The Concluding Rites

The brief Concluding Rite sends the people forth to put into effect what they have received.

Blessing

Priest: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

The priest gives the first three parts of the blessing, and each time the people respond: **Amen.**

Priest: And may almighty God bless all of you, who are gathered here the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Dismissal

Then the priest says: Go in peace.

All: Thanks be to God.

The Civil registration of the marriage

The Authorised Person completes the registration of the marriage with the newly married couple and their witnesses.

Music: Salut D'amour - Elgar & Ashokan Waltz - Jay Ungar, (Played by Olivia Geddes)

Recessional Hymn: Jerusalem

And did those feet in ancient time
walk upon England's mountains green?
And was the holy Lamb of God
on England's pleasant pastures seen?
And did the countenance divine
shine forth upon our clouded hills?
And was Jerusalem builded here
among those dark Satanic Mills?

Bring me my bow of burning gold!
Bring me my arrows of desire!
Bring me my spear! O clouds, unfold!
Bring me my chariot of fire!
I will not cease from mental fight,
nor shall my sword sleep in my hand,
till we have built Jerusalem
In England's green and pleasant Land.

Leaving the church music: The Brides Reel - J.S.Skinner, (Played by Olivia Geddes)

~ End of Ceremony ~

At the end of the ceremony please congregate outside so we can take some group photos.

Reception

The reception will take place at St Mary's Church Hall in Glossop, which is a 20 minute walk or 5 minute drive from the church. Canapes will be served at 2pm and the meal will be served at 3pm.

After the reception you are more than welcome to explore the heritage weekend events in Glossop. We will be heading back to our house (20 Fitzalan Street) in the early evening. If you would like to come and enjoy spending some more time together you are very welcome to join us.



It means so much to both of us having all our nearest and dearest here today. Thank you.

With lots of love,

MARIE & JON