## THE ENTRY OF THE MOTHER OF THE BRIDE AND BRIDESMAIDS

Jesu Joy of Man's Desiring. BACH

### THE ENTRY OF THE BRIDE

The Queen of Sheba. HANDEL

**Introductory Rite** 

### **HYMN-GUIDE ME, O THOU REDEEMER**

Guide me, O thou great Redeemer,
Pilgrim through this barren land;
I am weak, but thou art mighty;
Hold me with thy pow'rful hand:
Bread of heaven, bread of heaven
Feed me till I want no more X2

Open thou the crystal fountain
Whence the healing stream shall flow;
Let the fire and cloudy pillar
Lead me all my journey through:
Strong deliv'rer, strong deliv'rer
Be thou still my strength and shield X2

When I tread the verge of Jordan,
Bid my anxious fears subside;
Death of death, and hell's destruction,
Land me safe on Canaan's side:
Songs of praises, songs of praises
I will ever give to thee X2

### **Opening Prayer**

#### FIRST READING- Mick

A reading from the book of Ruth

But Ruth said, 'do not press me to leave you and to turn back from your company, for wherever you go, I will go, wherever you live, I will live. Your people shall be my people, and your God, my God.

The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God

Psalm: Nancy

Response: And He will raise you up on eagles' wings, Bear you on the breath of dawn, Make you to shine like the sun, And hold you in the palm of His hand.

### SECOND READING- Carol

A Reading from the letter of St Paul to the Colossians
You are God's chosen race, his Saints: he loves you, and you should be clothed in sincere compassion, in kindness and humility, gentleness and patience. Bear with one another; forgive each other as soon as a quarrel begins. The Lord has forgiven you; now you must do the same. Over all these clothes to keep them together and complete them, put on love. And may the peace of Christ reign in your hearts, because it is for this that you were called together as parts of one body. Always be thankful. Let the message of Christ, in all its richness find a home with you. Teach each other, and advise each other, in all wisdom. With gratitude in your hearts sing psalms and hymns and inspired songs to God and never say or do anything except in the name of the Lord. lesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God

### Please stand GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Celtic Alleluia

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

"I am the Way, the Truth and the Life, No-one comes to the Father, except through Me"

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John
Jesus said to his disciples: 'As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you. Remain in my love. If you keep my commandments you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and remain in his love. I have told you this so that my own joy may be in you and your joy be complete. This is my commandment: love one another, as I loved you.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

Homily - Father Gary
Rite of marriage
Exchange of vows
Blessing and exchange of the rings

### MUSIC DURING THE SIGNING OF THE REGISTER

Christ be with me (Pachelbel arr. Noel Rawsthorne)
The Lord is my shepherd (Howard Goodall)

### BIDDING PRAYERS- Kevin and Janine

1. By this marriage, two families have been united. May both families continue to be a source of love, support and guidance through Hope and Jamie's life. Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, graciously hear us.

2. We pray for Hope and Jamie as they begin their married life together. May their home be full of joy and laughter, may God give them good health and may they always find happiness in each other. Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, graciously hear us.

3. For all friends here present, young and old, married and single, that they be blessed with health and peace. Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, graciously hear us.

4. We remember the smiles and laughter of those who have gone before us, who would have loved to share in the joy and happiness of this day. We thank God for the happy memories they have left with us. May God one day unite us again. Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, graciously hear us.

5. Lord, we are blessed today to be gathered together for a happy occasion. Let us give thanks for our own blessings, for the gifts of life and health, which we so often take for granted and pray for all those who are suffering due to illness, loneliness, injustice, or poverty at this time. We also remember those who care for them, that God will give them the hope and inner strength they need. Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, graciously hear us.

### Offertory- Michael and Sam HYMN- IN CHRIST ALONE

In Christ alone, my hope is found;
He is my light, my strength, my song;
This Cornerstone, this solid ground,
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace,
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease!
My Comforter, my All in All Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone, who took on flesh,
Fullness of God in helpless babe!
This gift of love and righteousness,
Scorned by the ones He came to save.
'Til on that cross as Jesus died,
The wrath of God was satisfied;
For every sin on Him was laid Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay,
Light of the world by darkness slain.
Then bursting forth in glorious day,
Up from the grave He rose again!
And as He stands in victory,
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me;
For I am His and He is mine Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death This is the power of Christ in me.
From life's first cry to final breath,
Jesus commands my destiny.
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man,
Can ever pluck me from His hand;
Till He returns or calls me home Here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.

### **Preface**

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

**All:** And with your spirit. **Celebrant:** Lift up your hearts **All:** We lift them up to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

All: It is right and just

The celebrant continues with the Preface at the of which all say:

Holy, Holy, Lord God of Hosts

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.

### **Eucharistic Prayer**

This is the most sacred part of the Mass. The congregation is invited to kneel.

### **Communion Rite**

All: Our Father
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.

# Nuptial Blessing Exchange of Peace Invitation to communion

#### **HYMN- AS THE DEER**

As the deer panteth for the water, so my soul longeth after You. You alone are my heart's desire, and I long to worship You.

You alone are my strength, my shield; To You alone may my spirit yield. You alone are my heart's desire, And I long to worship You.

You're my Friend and You are my Brother
Even though You are a King.
I love You more than any other,
So much more than anything.

### Post-Communion Prayer All: Amen

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### **Final Blessing**