

Welcome to the wedding of

# MARY-JOHANNA FOGARTY

and

# COLM CIARAN GRACE

04-11- 2023 at 1pm Church of the Sacred Heart, Nurney, Co. Kildare

CELEBRANT: FR ADRIAN CARBERY

#### **Processional**

Pachelbel Canon D

## **Lighting of the Wedding Candles**

Mary-Jo and Colm each light a candle, representing their arrival here today as individuals. Later in the ceremony, they will light a single candle to symbolize their union of marriage.

Hymn: Ag Críost an Síol

#### **Penitential Rite**

## **The Opening Prayer**

**Fr. Adrian**: Let us pray Father, you have made the bond of marriage a holy mystery, a symbol of Christ's love for this church. Hear our prayers for Mary-Jo and Colm. 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, forever and ever.

All: Amen

# First Reading: A reading from the book of Tobit (8:4-8)

**Roseann Grace:** On the evening of their marriage, Tobias said to Sarah, 'Let us pray and implore our Lord that he grant us mercy and safety.' Tobias began by saying, 'Blessed are you, O God of our ancestors, and blessed is your name in all generations forever. Let the heavens and the whole creation bless you forever. You made Adam, and for him you made his wife Eve as a helper and support. From the two of them the human race has sprung. You said, "It is not good that the man should be alone; let us make a helper for him like himself." I now am taking this kinswoman of mine, not because of lust, but with sincerity. Grant that she and I may find mercy and that we may grow old together.' And they both said, 'Amen, Amen.' This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

#### Reflection

Read by Ruth Fegan: Prayer of Love – Author unknown Our prayer for you is this: That you will always remember the qualities That attracted you to each other when you first met And how you felt as your feelings of attraction Turned into respect, admiration and finally love That you will work hard to turn your feelings of love Into acts of love so that nothing and no one can divide you. That you will always have kind and loving hearts That are quick to ask for forgiveness when you are wrong, As well as to forgive when your partner is wrong. That your love might grow to hear all things, Believe all things, endure all things. We pray you place your marriage in God's hands. And that your love increases and overflows, Beyond anything you can yet imagine.

### **Concluding Rite**

## **Blessing at End of Mass**

## **Signing of the Register**

Ava Maria Schubert and Can't Help Falling in Love- Elvis Presley

#### Recessional

## **Wedding Party**

**Celebrant:** Fr Adrian Carbery **Bride**: Mary-Johanna Fogarty

Groom: Colm Grace

Chief Bridesmaid: Philippa Fogarty

Best Man: Tadhg Leahy Bridesmaids:

Emmy Fogarty Caoimhe Loftus

**Groomsman:** Noel Grace **Flowergirl:** Niamh Fogarty

**Pageboys:** Oscar Fogarty Liam Bowe

First Reading: Roseann Grace
Responsorial Psalm: Philippa Fogarty
Second Reading: Aisling Osborne

### Prayers of the Faithful:

Lorna O'Rourke Pádraic Grace Caitríona Morrisey Seán Grace Mairéad Grace Michael Grace

### **Offertory Procession:**

Mary Grace Anne Fogarty

Reflection: Ruth Fegan

#### **Vocalists:**

Maria Bridge Richard Bridge Philippa Fogarty

Harpist: Miriam Long