

3. As I kneel before you,
As I see your smiling face.
Every thought, every word,
Is lost in your embrace (Chorus).

Signing of the Marriage Register

Colin and Catherine sign the Church's Marriage Register. The following hymn is sung:

On This Day, O Beautiful Mother

Chorus

On this day, O beautiful mother,
On this day we give thee our love.
Near thee Madonna, fondly we hover,
Trusting thy gentle care to prove.

1. On this day we ask to share,
Dearest mother thy sweet care,
Lead us 'ere our feet astray,
Wander from thy guiding way. (Chorus)
2. Queen of Angels, deign to hear
Lisping children's humble prayer.
Young hearts gain, O virgin pure,
Sweetly to thyself allure. (Chorus)

The Wedding Recessional

Colin and Catherine leave the church, now as husband and wife.

The Bridal Procession

(Please Stand)

The Feather Theme

Opening Hymn

This Day God Gives Me

1. This day God gives me, strength of high heaven.
Sun and moon shining, flame in my hearth.
Flashing of lightning, wind in its swiftness,
Depth of the ocean, firmness of earth.
2. This day God sends me, strength as my steersman,
Might to uphold me, wisdom as guide.
Your eyes are watchful, your ears are listening,
Your lips are speaking, friend at my side.
3. God's way is my way, God's shield is around me,
God's host to defend me, saving from ill.
Angels of heaven, drive from me always,
All that would harm me, stand by me still.
4. Rising, I thank you, mighty and strong one.
King of creation, Giver of Rest.
Firmly confessing, three-ness of persons,
Oneness of Godhead, Trinity blest.

Greeting

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

All: And also with you.

Colin and Catherine light one candle each. The individual candles symbolize their two lives, now separate, later to be joined as one in matrimony.

Penitential Rites

Priest: My brothers and sisters, to prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries, let us call to mind our sins.

All pause for a moment of reflection

Priest: Lord Jesus, you were sent to heal the contrite heart, Lord have mercy.

All: Lord have mercy.

Priest: Lord Jesus, you came to call sinners, Christ have mercy.

All: Christ have mercy.

Priest: Lord Jesus, you plead for us at the right hand of the Father, Lord have mercy.

All: Lord have mercy.

Priest: May you always bear witness to the love of God in this world, so that the afflicted and the needy will find in you generous friends, and welcome you into the joys of heaven.

All: Amen.

Priest: And may Almighty God bless you all, the Father, the Son + and the Holy Spirit

All: Amen.

Dismissal

Priest: Go in peace to love and to serve the Lord

All: Thanks be to God.

Final Hymn

Ave Maria

1. As I kneel before you
As I bow my head in prayer.
Take this day, make it yours,
And fill me with your love.

Chorus:

Ave Maria! Gratia Plena!
Dominus Tecum, Benedicta tu!

2. All I have I give you.
Every dream and wish is yours.
Mother of Christ, Mother of mine,
Present them to my Lord (Chorus).

Priest and people pray in silence for a while.

**Lord,
In your love you have given us this Eucharist
To unite us with one another and with you.
As you have made Colin and Catherine
One in this sacrament of marriage,
And in the sharing of the one bread
and the one cup,
So make them one in love for each other.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.**

All: Amen.

The Concluding Rite

Facing the people, the priest extends his hands and says:

Priest: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Priest: Bow your heads and pray for God's blessings

**Priest: May God the eternal Father keep you in love
with each other, so that the peace of Christ may
stay with you and be always in your home.**

All: Amen.

**Priest: May your children bless you, your friends
console you, and all people live in peace with
you.**

All: Amen.

**Priest: May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us
our sins and bring us to everlasting life.**

All: Amen.

The Gloria is omitted.

Opening Prayer

Priest: Let us pray,

Priest and people pray in silence for a while

**Father,
You have made the bond of marriage a holy mystery,
A symbol of Christ's love for his Church.
Hear our prayers for Colin and Catherine,
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 you this through Jesus Christ your Son,
Who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
One God, forever and ever, Amen.**

All: Amen

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading

(Please be seated)

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah

I will make a new covenant with the House of Israel and the House of Judah (31: 31 - 34)

See, the days are coming – it is the Lord who speaks – when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the House of Judah, but not a covenant like the one I made with their ancestors on the day I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt. No, this is the covenant I will make with the House of Israel when those days arrive – it is the Lord who speaks. Deep within them I will plant my Law, writing it on their hearts. Then I will be their God and they shall be my people. There will be no further need for neighbour to try to teach neighbour, or brother to say to brother, “Learn to know the Lord!” No, they will all know me, the least no less than the greatest – it is the Lord who speaks.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God.

3. As we gaze on your kingly brightness,
So our faces display your likeness.
Ever changing from glory to glory,
Mirrored here may our lives tell your story
Shine on me, shine on me (Chorus).

The following hymn is sung after Holy Communion.

Thanksgiving Hymn

There's a Quiet Understanding

1. There's a quiet understanding,
When we're gathered in the Spirit,
It's a promise that he gives us,
When we gather in his name.
There's a love we feel in Jesus,
There's a manna that he feeds us,
It's a promise that he gives us,
When we gather in his name.
2. And we know when we're together,
Sharing love and understanding,
That our brothers and our sisters,
Feel the oneness that we bring.
Thank you, thank you, thank you Jesus,
For the way you love and feed us,
For the many ways you lead us,
Thank you, thank you Lord,
Thank you, thank your Lord.

Prayer after Communion

Priest: Let us pray

The priest comes to the front of the altar and Catholics wishing to receive Holy Communion may now do so.

Only baptized Catholics may receive Holy Communion.

As this is done, the following hymn is sung:

Communion Hymn
Shine Jesus Shine

1. Lord the light of your love is shining
In the midst of the darkness shining
Jesus light of the world shine upon us.
Set us free by the truth you now bring us
Shine on me, shine on me.

Chorus:

Shine, Jesus, shine
Fill this land with the Father's glory.
Blaze, spirit blaze,
Set our hearts on fire.
Flow, river, flow
Flood the nations with grace and mercy
Send forth your word
Lord and let there be light.

2. Lord, I come to your awesome presence,
From the shadows into your radiance.
By the blood I may enter your brightness
Search me try me consume all my darkness
Shine on me, shine on me (Chorus)

Responsorial Psalm

(Ps. 32:12, 18, 20-22, R.v.5)

1. They are happy, whose God is the Lord,
The people he has chosen as his own.
The Lord looks on those who revere him,
On those who hope in his love.

Response

The earth is full of the goodness of the Lord

2. Our soul is waiting for the Lord
The Lord is our help and our shield.
In him do our hearts find joy,
We trust in his holy name. (R)
3. May your love be upon us, O Lord,
As we place all our hope in you. (R)

Second Reading

A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Ephesians

This mystery has many implications; but I am saying it applies to Christ and the Church.

Follow Christ by loving as he loved you, giving himself up in your place. Give way to one another in obedience to Christ. Wives should regard their husbands as they regard the Lord, since Christ is head of the Church and saves the whole body, so is a husband the head of his wife; and as the Church submits to Christ, so should wives to their husbands. Husbands should love their wives just as Christ loved the Church and sacrificed himself for her to make her holy.

He made her clean by washing her in water with a form of words so that when he took her to himself she would be glorious, with no speck or wrinkle or anything like that, but holy and faultless. In the same way a man to love his wife is for him to love himself. A man never hates his own body, but he feeds it and looks after it; and that is the way Christ treats the Church, because it is his body – and we are its living parts. For this reason, a man must leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two will become one body. This mystery has many implications; but I am saying it applies to Christ and the Church. To sum up; you too, each one of you, must love his wife as he loves himself, and let every wife respect her husband.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord
All: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation
(1 John 4:16)

(Please Stand)

Alleluia alleluia,

He who lives in love, lives in God,
And God in him.

Alleluia

As he is saying this, the choir and all present sing:

All: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
Have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
Have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
Grant us peace.

**Priest: Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God,
By the will of the Father and work of
the Holy Spirit,
Your death brought life to the world.**

**By your holy body and blood
Free me from all my sins and from every evil.
Keep me faithful to your teachings,
And let me never be parted from you.**

*The priest genuflects. Taking the host, he raises it slightly
over the altar, and facing the people, he says aloud:*

**Priest: This is the lamb of God who takes away the
sins of the world.
Happy are we who are called to his supper.**

All: Lord, I am not worthy to receive you.
Only say the word and I shall be healed.

**Priest: May the Body and Blood of Christ bring us all to
everlasting life.**

All: Amen.

Priest: Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles:

**I leave you peace, my peace I give you.
Look not on our sins, but on the
faith of your Church,
And grant us the peace and
unity of your kingdom,
Where you live forever and ever.**

All: Amen

Priest: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

All: And also with you.

Priest: Let us offer each other the sign of peace

The married couple and all present show their peace and love for one another in the customary way, greeting one another with "Peace be with you".

The priest gives the sign of peace, and then takes the host and breaks it over the paten. He places a small piece into the chalice, and says quietly:

Priest: May this mingling of the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ bring eternal life to us who receive it.

Gospel Reading

Priest: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Priest: A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

Remain in my love

(15:9 – 12)

Jesus said to his disciples:

“As the Father has loved me, so have I 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 have loved you.”

Priest: This is the Gospel of the Lord

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily

(Please be seated)

The Rites of Marriage

(Please stand)

Priest: My dear friends, you have come together in this church so that the Lord may seal and strengthen your love in the presence of the Church's ministers and his community. Christ abundantly blesses this love. He has already consecrated you in baptism and now he enriches and strengthens you by a special sacrament so that you may assume the duties of marriage in mutual and lasting fidelity. And so, in the presence of his Church, I ask you to state your intentions.

Priest: Colin and Catherine, have you come here freely and without reservation to give yourselves to each other in marriage?

Colin: I have.

Catherine : I have.

Priest: Will you love and honour each other as man and wife for the rest of your lives?

Colin: I will.

Catherine : I will.

Priest: Will you accept children lovingly from God, and bring them up according to the law of Christ and his Church?

Colin: I will.

Catherine : I will.

**Look with love upon this woman, your daughter,
Now joined to her husband in marriage.**

She asks for your blessing.

Give her the grace of love and peace.

May she always follow the example

Of the holy women

Whose praises are sung in the scriptures.

May her husband put his trust in her

And recognize that she is his equal,

And the heir with him to the life of grace.

May he always honour her and love her,

As Christ loves his bride the Church.

**Father, keep them always true to your
commandments.**

Keep them faithful in marriage

And let them be living examples of

Christian life.

**Give them the strength which comes from
the Gospel**

So that they may be witnesses of

Christ to others.

Father, bless them with children

And help them to be good parents.

May they live to see their children's children,

And after a happy old age,

Grant them fullness of life with the Saints

In the kingdom of heaven.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

The Nuptial Blessing

The priest faces the bride and bridegroom, and with his hands joined, says:

**Priest: My dear friends,
let us turn to the Lord and pray,
That he will bless with his grace Catherine,
Now married in Christ to Colin,
And that through the sacrament of the
body and blood of Christ,
He will unite in love the couple he has joined
in this holy bond.**

**Father, by your power you have made
Everything out of nothing.
In the beginning you created the universe,
And made mankind in your own likeness.
You gave man the constant help of woman,
So that man and woman should no longer be
two, but one flesh.
And you teach us that what you have united
may never be divided.**

**Father, you have made the union of man and
wife so holy a mystery that it symbolizes the
marriage of Christ and his Church.**

**Father, by your plan man and
woman are united,
And married life has been established
As the one blessing that was not forfeited by
original sin, or washed away in the flood.**

**Priest: Since it is your intention to enter into marriage,
join your right hands and declare your consent
before God and his Church.**

**Priest: Colin, do you take Catherine to be your wife? Do
you promise to be true to her in good times and
in bad, in sickness and in health, to love and
honour her all the days of your life?**

Colin: I do.

**Priest: Catherine, do you take Colin to be your husband?
Do you promise to be true to him in good times
and in bad, in sickness and in health, to love and
honour him all the days of your life?**

Catherine: I do.

**Priest: You have declared your consent before the
Church. May the Lord in his goodness
strengthen your consent and fill you both with
his blessings. What God has joined, men must
not divide.**

All: Amen.

Blessing of Rings

Priest: Lord, bless these rings which
we bless + in your name.
Grant that those who wear them may
always have a deep faith in each other.
May they do your will,
and always live together,
In peace, good will and love.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Exchange of Rings

Colin: Catherine, take this ring as a sign of my love and
fidelity. In the name of the Father, and of the Son
and of the Holy Spirit.

He places the ring on her left ring finger

Catherine: Colin, take this ring as a sign of my love and
fidelity. In the name of the Father, and of the
Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

She places the ring on his left ring finger.

Final Doxology

The priest raises the paten and chalice, and sings:

**Through Him,
With Him,
In Him.
In the unity of the Holy Spirit.
All glory and honour is yours, Almighty Father,
Forever and Ever.**

All: Amen.

The Communion Rite

(Please stand)

**Priest: Let us pray to the Father in the words our
Saviour gave us:**

All the people join hands and sing together with the priest:

All: Our Father in heaven,
Holy be your name.
Your kingdom come,
Your will be done on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins,
As we forgive those who sin against us.
Do not bring us to the test,
But deliver us from evil.

Strengthen in faith and love your pilgrim Church on earth; your servant Pope John Paul II, our Administrator Francis, and all the bishops, with the entire people your Son has gained for you.

Father, hear the prayers of the family you have gathered here before you. In mercy and love unite all your children wherever they may be.

Lord, remember Mary Chee, Maria Chan, Peter Chee, Matthew Lau and Francis Lee. In baptism they died with Christ. May they also share in his resurrection.

Welcome into your kingdom our departed brothers and sisters, and all who have left this world in your friendship.

He joins his hands

We hope to enjoy forever the vision of your glory, through Christ our Lord, from whom all good things come.

Blessing and Lighting of the Matrimonial Candle

Priest: Lord, bless this candle, which represents you, the foundation on which Colin and Catherine have built and established their love.

May this candle remind you, Colin and Catherine, of the divine sanctity of the Sacrament of Matrimony of which both of you have freely partaken.

This candle signifies the light of Christ who will be your pillar of strength and courage in times of trials and need. The flame of your candles, symbols of your own lives, will no longer burn as two separate flames, but as one flame, symbolizing your unity and oneness in each other and in the Lord.

May this flame burn strong and bright in your love, in your family and in your home, and may it bring warmth, hope and light of Christ's love to all around you.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Colin and Catherine light the matrimonial candle. As they are doing this, the Ubi Caritas, a traditional Latin hymn usually sung during Lent, is sung:

Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est	Where charity and love are there is God
Congregavit nos in unum Christi amor	The love of Christ has gathered us together into one.
Exsulemus, et in ipso jucundemur	Let us rejoice and be glad in him
Timeamus, et amemus Deum vivum	Let us fear the living God
Et ex corde diligamus nos sincero	And love each other from the depths of our hearts.
Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est.	Where charity and love are there is God
Simul ergo cum in unum congregamur	Therefore when we are together
Ne nos mente dividamur, caveam us	Let us take heed not to be divided in mind.
Cessant iurgia maligna cessent lites	Let there be an end to bitterness and quarrels, an end to strife.
Et in medio nostri sit Christus Deus	And in our midst be Christ our God.
Exultemus, et in ipso	Let us rejoice and be glad in him.
Timeamus, et amemus Deum vivum	Let us fear and love the living God
Gaudium quod est immensum atque probum	Pure and unbounded joy
Saecula per infinita saeculorum.	Forever and ever

Amen.

The people continue with the acclamation:

All: Lord by your cross and resurrection
You have set us free.
You are the saviour of the world.

With hands extended, the priest says:

**Father, calling to mind the death your Son endured
for our salvation, His glorious resurrection and ascension
into heaven, and ready to greet him when he comes
again, we offer you in thanksgiving this holy and living
sacrifice.**

**Look with favour on your Church's offering,
And see the victim whose death has reconciled
us to yourself.**

**Grant that we, who are nourished by his
body and blood, may be filled with his Holy Spirit,
And become one body, one spirit in Christ.**

**May he make us an everlasting gift to you,
And enable us to share in the inheritance
of your saints.**

**With Mary, the ever virgin Mother of God;
With the Apostles, Martyrs, Saints Peter
and Paul, all the Carmelite Saints and Blessed
and all your Saints, on whose constant intercession
we rely for help.**

**Lord, may this sacrifice which has made
our peace with you advance the peace and salvation
of all the world.**

Amen.

He takes the bread, and raising it a little over the altar, continues

He took bread and gave you thanks and praise. He broke the bread gave it to his disciples and said:

*Take this, all of you and eat it;
This is my body, which will be given up for you.*

He shows the consecrated host to the people, places it on the paten, and genuflects in adoration. Then he continues:

When supper was ended, he took the cup.

He takes the chalice, and raising it a little above the altar, continues:

**Again he gave you thanks and praise,
Gave the cup to his disciples and said:**

*Take this, all of you, and drink from it;
This is the cup of my blood,
The blood of a new and everlasting covenant.
It will be shed for you and for all men
So that sins may be forgiven.
Do this in memory of me.*

He shows the chalice to the people, places it on the corporeal, and genuflects in adoration. Then he sings:

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

General Intercessions

Priest: Let us pray to God the Father, who has called this young couple to a new state of life.

Leader: That Colin and Catherine, now united in Holy Matrimony, be granted true Christian happiness, we pray to the Lord.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: That they grow in their love and understanding of each other, we pray to the Lord.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: That the new family they are founding be a living example of Christian love to their neighbours, we pray to the Lord.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: That they may welcome, cherish and bring up as good Christians, the children God may give them. We pray to the Lord.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: That all of us gathered here remain united with them through friendship and prayer, we pray to the Lord.

All: Lord hear our prayer.

Leader: That those who are getting married today may be blessed with a joyous marriage, and that their union may be a true reflection of the union of Christ with his bride, the Church, we pray to the Lord:

All: Lord hear our prayer.

Leader: That all troubled marriages may experience the healing power of Christ's love, and find wholeness and happiness once again, we pray to the Lord:

All: Lord hear our prayer.

Leader: That the Church may remain united in the love of Christ, we pray to the Lord:

All: Lord hear our prayer.

Leader: That all Carmelite Friars, Nuns and Seculars receive abundant blessings from God, and that they may show forth these blessings through their love and generosity to all whom they meet, we pray to the Lord:

All: Lord hear our prayer.

Leader: That Christ strengthens all his priests and religious, keeping them from sin and helping them shoulder the cross of their ministry, we pray to the Lord:

All: Lord hear our prayer.

Eucharistic Prayer III

(Catholics please kneel. Non-Catholics may be seated)

The priest, with hands extended, says:

**Father, you are holy indeed,
And all creation rightly gives you praise.
All life, all holiness comes from you,
Through Jesus Christ our Lord,
By the working of the Holy Spirit.**

**From age to age you gather a people to yourself,
So that from east to west
A perfect offering may be made to the glory of your
name.**

He joins his hands, and holding them outstretched over the offerings, he says:

**And so Father, we bring you these gifts.
We ask you to make them holy
By the power of your Spirit,**

He joins his hands, and making the sign of the cross over both bread and chalice, he says:

**That they may become the body + and blood
Of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ,
At whose command we celebrate this Eucharist.**

He joins his hands.

On the night he was betrayed

**By this sacrament your grace unites man and
Woman in an unbreakable bond of love
and peace.**

**You have designed the chaste love of husband
and wife for the increase of
both the human family
And of your own family born in baptism.
You are the loving Father of the
world of nature;
You are the loving Father of the new creation
of grace.**

**In Christian marriage you bring together the
two orders of creation:**

**Nature's gift of children enriches the world
And your grace enriches your Church.**

**Through Christ the choirs of angels
And all the saints praise and worship
your glory.
May our voices blend with the irs,
As they sing the unending hymn of praise:**

*At the end of the preface he joins his hands and together
with the people, concludes it by singing:*

All: Holy holy holy Lord, God of power and might.
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.

Oration:

Priest: Let us pray.

**O God, from whom all love derives, help this young
couple in their responsibility of building up a new
Christian family. We ask you this through Christ our
Lord.**

All: Amen.

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Offertory Hymn *(Please Be Seated)*
O King of Might and Splendour

O King of might and splendour, Creator most adored.
This sacrifice we render to Thee as sovereign Lord.
May these our gifts be pleasing unto thy majesty.
Mankind from sin releasing who have offended thee.

Thy Body Thou has given, Thy Blood Thou has outpoured.
That sin might be forgiven, O Jesus loving Lord.
As now with love most tender Thy death we celebrate.
Our lives in self-surrender to Thee we consecrate.

*As this is being sung, the gifts of bread and wine are brought
to the altar. The priest receives the gifts, and returning to the
altar takes the paten with the bread in it, and holding it
slightly raised above the altar, says quietly:*

**Priest: Blessed are you Lord, God of all creation.
Through your goodness we have this bread to
offer. Fruit of the earth and work of human
hands, it shall become the bread of life.**

*The priest pours the wine and a little water into the
chalice, and says quietly:*

**By the mystery of this water and wine may we
come to share in the divinity of Christ, who
humbled himself to share in our humanity.**

*The priest takes the chalice, and holding it slightly raised
above the altar, says quietly:*

**Blessed are you Lord, God of all creation.
Through your goodness we have this wine to
offer. Fruit of the vine and work of human
hands, it shall become our spiritual drink.**

*The priest place the chalice on the corporeal, and waits
for the offertory hymn to end.*

The Offertory *(Please Stand)*

**Priest: Pray brethren that our sacrifice may be made
acceptable to God, the Almighty Father.**

All: May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands,
for praise and glory of his name, for our good and
the good of all his Church.

Prayer Over the Gifts

**Priest: Lord,
Accept our offering
For this newly wed couple Colin and Catherine.
By your love and providence you have
brought them together.
Now bless them all the days of their
married life.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.**

All: Amen.

The Eucharistic Prayer

Priest: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Priest: Lift up your heart.

All: We lift them up to the Lord.

Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The Preface

The Celebrant continues alone

**Priest: Father, all-powerful and ever-living God,
We do well always and everywhere to give
you thanks through Jesus Christ our Lord.**