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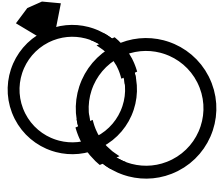
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What's New in the New Marriage Rite?

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On December 30, 2016, the revised *Order of Celebrating Matrimony* (OCM) became mandatory in US dioceses. In many places, this deadline passed without fanfare. Coming just five years after the revision of Mass texts, the revision of the marriage rite may have seemed somewhat minor in terms of pastoral impact. As the traditionally busy summer wedding season approaches, it may be a good time to examine what is new in this revised marriage rite.

Background and Title

The January 1991 issue of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops *Committee on the Liturgy Newsletter* informed readers about the publication of the Latin second typical edition of the *Ordo celebrandi Matrimonium*. After outlining the changes in this revised marriage rite, the article stated that “the English translation will probably not be available until sometime in 1992 or 1993” (vol. XXVII, 4). This proved to be rather ambitious since the official English translation was not published until 2013 and the implementation date for using the new English translation in the US was set for 2016. The delay was due in large part to the much larger project of revising the texts for Mass.

The *Rite of Marriage*, which served US Catholics from 1970 to 2016, has given way to the *Order of Celebrating Matrimony*. The word “matrimony” has replaced “marriage” in order “to highlight the book as a liturgical ritual (i.e., the sacrament of matrimony) for the beginning of a lifelong commitment” (United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, *Committee on Divine Worship Newsletter*, November–December 2013, vol. XLIX, 47). As with the *Order of Christian Funerals*, the word “order” has replaced “rite,” indicating that this book contains a series of rites that correspond to various stages in marriage, including “The Order of Blessing an Engaged Couple” and “The Order of Blessing a Married Couple within Mass on the Anniversary of Marriage,” in addition to the wedding liturgy.

The Introduction has expanded from eighteen to forty-four paragraphs. This section contains important principles and information. Among the points of particular interest to those involved in the preparation and celebration of the wedding liturgy are the reference to deacons presiding at the celebration of matrimony (24), the communitarian character of the wedding liturgy (28), the involvement of the engaged couple in the preparation of the celebration (29), and the music to be sung (30).

OCM retains three different forms for the wedding liturgy: the Order of Celebrating Matrimony within Mass (chapter I), the Order of Celebrating Matrimony without Mass (chapter II), and the Order of Celebrating Matrimony between a Catholic and a Catechumen or a Non-Christian (chapter III). A fourth option for celebrating Matrimony in the presence of a lay assistant when no priest or deacon is available appeared in the Latin text but was not included in the US edition.

The Most Holy Trinity

6/11/2017 YEAR A

MUSIC SUGGESTIONS

See [page 66](#) for an abbreviation key.

For additional music suggestions,
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ENTRANCE CHANT

God, We Praise You NETTLETON A 222 BB 202 CP3 401 GP3 719
H 480 J2 594 J3 567 TM 36
All Hail, Adored Trinity OLD HUNDREDTH A 39 BB/MI 706 CM 79
CP2 302 CP3 309 GP2 416 GP3 354 H 296 J2 467 J3 446 TM 20
UC 416 VOZ 507
This Day God Gives Me BUNESSAN A 559 BB/MI 633 CM 173
CP2 528 CP3 574 GP2 727 GP3 779 H 564 J2 2 J3 850 R2 179
R3 136 UC 756 VOZ 838
All Creatures of Our God and King LASST UNS ERFREUEN A 36
BB/MI 536 CM 122 CP2 358 CP3 380 GP2 672 GP3 714 H 499
J2 600 J3 578 R2 245 R3 153 UC 747 VOZ 563
All the Earth (Deiss) A 47 BB/MI 422 CP2 369 CP3 391 GP3 695
H 506 J3 620 VOZ 594
Come Now, Almighty King ITALIAN HYMN A 141 BB/MI 709 CM 77
CP2 300 CP3 307 GP2 417 GP3 359 H 299 J2 471 J3 450 R2 161
R3 114 UC 417 VOZ 506
Holy, Holy, Holy NICAEA A 242 BB 204 CM 78 CP2 299 CP3 306
GP2 414 GP3 358 H 295 J2 469 J3 448 R2 162 R3 115 TM 38
UC 414 VOZ 505 OCP 30106572
How Wonderful the Three-in-One (Wren) J3 449
Halleluya! We Sing Your Praises (South African) A 232 BB/MI 544
J3 599

RESPONSORIAL PSALM AND GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Respond and Acclaim (Alstott) 92–93
A Lectionary Psalter (Schiavone) 86, 235

PRESENTATION AND PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

God, Beyond All Names (Farrell) A 213 BB/MI 420 CP2 389 CP3 415
GP2 667 GP3 698 J2 634 UC 746 VOZ 600 OCP 7236
Hymn of Praise (Te Deum) (Schutte) A 257 BB/MI 704 GP3 356
OCP 30106526
Ang Katawan ni Kristo/Behold, the Body of Christ (Manalo) A 62
BB/MI 350 GP3 481 OCP 20041
Dwelling Place (Foley) A 164 BB/MI 487 CP3 441 GP2 591 GP3 596
H 512 J3 664
Jesus, Lord (DeBruyn) A 294 BB/MI 495 GP2 594 GP3 587 J2 701
J3 668 OCP 8739
The Light of Christ (Fishel) A 535 BB/MI 600 CP2 394 GP3 688
VOZ 626
In Perfect Charity (DeBruyn) GP2 547 GP3 660 J2 757 J3 721 OCP 8413
May We Praise You (Foley) GP2 678 GP3 728 OCP 9934

COMMUNION CHANT

Spirit and Grace (Manalo) A 498 BB/MI 346 GP3 496 H 578 J3 798
UC 535 OCP 20319
Ubi Caritas (Rosania) A 581 BB/MI 478 CP2 444 CP3 476 GP2 364
GP3 664 H 255 J2 754 J3 710 UC 624 VOZ 687 OCP 9661
We Are Many Parts (Haugen) A 593 BB/MI 580 CM 156 CP2 516
CP3 565 GP3 550 H 559 UC 606
Make Us One with You (Modlin) A 346 BB/MI 322 OCP 30105765
Father of Peace (Lynch) A 179 BB/MI 512 GP3 572 H 417 VOZ 717
Glory and Praise for Ever (Daniel 3) (Smith) A 726 BB/MI 815
GP3 204 J3 119 S&S 105 OCP 21021
Behold the Lamb (Willett) A 91 BB/MI 338 CP2 481 CP3 523
GP2 524 GP3 492 H 394 J2 809 J3 785 UC 505 VOZ 799 OCP 8737
How Great Thou Art (Hine) A 254 BB/MI 423 CM 154 CP2 387
CP3 413 GP2 665 GP3 694 H 463 J2 628 J3 614 UC 749 VOZ 595
OCP 12136

After the conclusion of the Lent/Easter season on such a magnificent feast as Pentecost, our liturgy changes seasons gently and returns to Ordinary Time (Year A), through two special solemnities: The Most Holy Trinity today, followed by The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (*Corpus Christi*) next Sunday.

A central theological dogma of Christianity is the mystery of the Holy Trinity. We sing about it and hope that our assemblies will get the message of the feast. But this mystery is beyond our understanding. So perhaps we should approach our reflection today from another perspective: the Trinity is the outpouring of LOVE. From the Trinity to our own lives, love takes us out of our inwardness to reach out to others, making us new persons in many ways. We are not diminished in any way when we reach out to love. In fact, we most often find we have even more love to give. The Trinity appears in central stories of Jesus: his baptism, transfiguration, and Pentecost, to name a few. Saint Patrick (fifth century) used a shamrock to explain the Trinity. A more contemporary explanation might be God as three-dimensional but even more so since God is spirit. What a timely day for the celebration of the sacrament of baptism in our communities with the presence of the Trinity in so many of our prayers, songs, blessings, and rituals. Perhaps today, we might call special attention to this mystery beyond words by thoughtfully using a sign beyond words: the sign of the Cross.

— Elaine Rendler-McQueeney

Of the Father's Love Begotten DIVINUM MYSTERIUM A 397 BB 85
CP3 241 H 221 J2 349 J3 317 UC 303 VOZ 395

SONG OF PRAISE OR SENDING FORTH

Go in Peace to Love and Serve the Lord (Inwood) A 207 BB/MI 371
OCP 30129921
Holy God, We Praise Thy Name GROSSER GOTT A 241 BB 190 CM 124
CP2 355 CP3 377 GP2 681 GP3 721 H 482 J2 593 J3 566 NTY 95
R2 255 R3 195 TM 24 UC 688 VOZ 590
Alle, Alle, Alleluia (Ho Lung) A 50 BB/MI 554 CP2 368 CP3 390
GP3 713 H 488 J2 627 J3 596 NTY 2 UC 711 VOZ 574 OCP 10555
All Praise and Glad Thanksgiving GOTT VATER SEI GEPRIESEN A 45
BB/MI 705 CM 76 CP2 301 CP3 308 GP2 415 GP3 355 H 297
J2 466 J3 445 UC 412 VOZ 504 OCP 11926
How Can I Keep from Singing ENDLESS SONG A 252 BB/MI 440
CP2 431 CP3 460 GP2 616 GP3 607 H 526 J2 721 J3 686 NTY 116
S&S 216 SS1 117 UC 727 VOZ 638 OCP 9202
Grateful (Tomaszek) A 226 BB/MI 584 GP3 708 J3 602 NTY 140
S&S 242 SS2 361 OCP 12130
Faith of Our Fathers ST. CATHERINE A 176 BB/MI 486 CM 137
CP2 412 CP3 444 GP2 592 GP3 593 H 509 J2 698 J3 667 UC 634
VOZ 679
They'll Know We Are Christians (Scholtes) A 555 BB/MI 581 CM 155
CP2 513 CP3 566 GP2 568 GP3 544 H 558 J2 849 J3 832 NTY 168
R3 143 UC 605 VOZ 759
Alabaré (Alonso) GP2 680 GP3 710 NTY 83 UC 689 VOZ 559
OCP 12192

CHORAL

✦ The Light of the Trinity (Mawby) OCP 4602
Song to the Trinity (Scialla) OCP 30106750
God in Trinity (Wright) OCP 20921

The Most Holy Trinity

6/11/2017 YEAR A

Time _____ Priest Celebrant _____

Music Rehearsal/Liturgical Catechesis _____

Introduction, see *Prayer of the Faithful*, page 54 _____

THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

Entrance Chant _____

Blessing and Sprinkling of Water/Penitential Act _____

Gloria _____

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading _____ Responsorial Psalm _____

Second Reading _____ Gospel Acclamation _____

Gospel _____

Homily _____

Dismissal of the Catechumens and Elect _____

Universal Prayer, see *Prayer of the Faithful*, page 54 _____

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Presentation and Preparation of the Gifts _____

Eucharistic Acclamations _____

Holy, Holy, Holy _____

The Mystery of Faith _____ Amen _____

The Communion Rite

The Lord's Prayer _____

Lamb of God _____

Communion Chant _____

Psalm or Hymn of Praise/Instrumental or Silence _____

THE CONCLUDING RITES

Sending Forth _____

Choral Anthem of the Day _____

Prelude/Postlude _____

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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Blest be God the Father, and the Only Begotten Son of God, and also the Holy Spirit, for he has shown us his merciful love.

FIRST READING

Exodus 34:4b–6, 8–9 (164A)

Moses went up Mount Sinai to meet the Lord. He begged the Lord to accompany the Israelites, “a stiff-necked people.” He asked God to pardon their wickedness and sin.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Daniel 3:52, 53, 54, 55

Glory and praise forever!

SECOND READING

2 Corinthians 13:11–13

Paul encouraged the Corinthians to mend their sinful ways and help one another live in peace. He wrote to them, “The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.”

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

cf. Revelation 1:8

Glory to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit; to God who is, who was, and who is to come.

GOSPEL

John 3:16–18

God loved the world so greatly that he sent his only Son that all may have eternal life. The Son did not come to condemn the world but that it might be saved through him. Whoever believes in the Lord will live forever.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Galatians 4:6

Since you are children of God, God has sent into your hearts the Spirit of his Son, the Spirit who cries out: Abba, Father.