

Preparing for

Your Wedding

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL OPTION 1

The **PRIEST OR DEACON** begins:

*Dear brothers and sisters,
As we call to mind the special gift of grace and charity
By which God has been pleased to crown and consecrate
The love of our sister N. and our brother N.,
Let us commend them to the Lord.*

A READER continues:

That these faithful Christians, N. and N.,
Newly joined in Holy Matrimony,
may always enjoy health and well-being,
Let us pray to the Lord.

R. Lord, hear our prayer.

That he will bless their covenant
As he chose to sanctify Marriage at Cana in Galilee,
Let us pray to the Lord.

R. Lord, hear our prayer.

That they be granted perfect and fruitful love, peace and strength,
And that they bear faithful witness to the name of Christian,
Let us pray to the Lord.

R. Lord, hear our prayer.

That the Christian people may grow in virtue day by day,
And that all who are burdened by any need
May receive the help of grace from above,
Let us pray to the Lord.

R. Lord, hear our prayer.

That the grace of the Sacrament
Will be renewed by the Holy Spirit in all married persons here present,
Let us pray to the Lord.

R. Lord, hear our prayer.

The **PRIEST OR DEACON** concludes:

*Graciously pour out upon this husband and wife, O Lord,
The Spirit of your love,
To make them one heart and one soul,
So that nothing whatever may divide those you have joined
And no harm come to those you have filled with your blessing.
Through Christ our Lord.*

R. Amen.



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