

ARCHDIOCESE OF INDIANAPOLIS
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PREPARATION FOR MARRIAGE

_____ and _____
Date of Marriage _____ Name of Church _____
Name of Officiant _____

For the Groom

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| NAME: _____ | BIRTH DATE: _____ MONTH DAY YEAR |
| SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER: _____ | BIRTH PLACE: _____ CITY STATE |
| ADDRESS: _____ NUMBER AND STREET | If under age 18, do you have parents' written permission? _____ |
| CITY STATE | LAST GRADE OF SCHOOL ATTENDED IN YEARS: _____ |
| COUNTY: _____ | OCCUPATION: _____ |
| FATHER'S NAME: _____ | PHONE NUMBER: _____ |
| BIRTH PLACE: _____ | MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME: _____ |
| HIS RELIGION? _____ | BIRTH PLACE: _____ |
| | HER RELIGION? _____ |

What is your religion? _____ When were you baptized? _____

Where were you baptized? _____
CHURCH CITY STATE

If recent certificate of baptism cannot be obtained, who can testify to the fact or your baptism? _____

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| FOR CATHOLIC ONLY | |
| What is your Parish? _____ | |
| Have you been confirmed? _____ Do you consider yourself a member of the Catholic Church? _____ Have you received the sacraments recently? _____ Are you of your own choice arranging for a marriage approved by the Church? _____ | |
| Have you ever been under any kind of religious obligation that would prevent your marrying in the Church? _____ If so, have you been released from this by the proper Church authorities? _____ | |

Have you ever married anyone before? _____ How many times? _____

If so give names of all persons with whom you have gone through a marriage ceremony, state before whom, when and where, and explain why you are now free to marry. If present union is to be convalidated, please so state.

Are you related to your intended wife by blood, or by marriage in any way? _____

Was she ever married before? _____

By signing my name I solemnly attest that my answers are true to the best of my knowledge.

Date: _____

SIGNED: _____

Place _____

Before: _____

PASTORAL GUIDES FOR NUPTIAL PREPARATION

The priest will now discuss with the groom his attitude toward marriage:

1. Whether he sincerely intends to enter a permanent union and accepts the obligation to be faithful?
2. Whether he wants children and whether he intends to grant his wife the right to have the children she wants?
3. Whether he understands the obligations of married life, the close companionship and generosity love requires and whether he feels he is emotionally and physically capable of fulfilling them?
4. Whether he is freely entering this marriage and can honestly say he has not been forced or pressured by any person or circumstances to go through with it?
5. Whether he has any doubts about the reasons why his future wife is entering this marriage?

I have seriously discussed with the man who is to enter this marriage the significance of marriage, and from his statements and attitude I am convinced that he understands the obligations and responsibilities of marriage and wants to enter marriage as it is understood by the Catholic Church.

(Pastor) (Associate Pastor) (Delegate) (Deacon)

Are you related to your intended husband by blood, or by marriage in any way? _____

Was he ever married before? _____

By signing my name I solemnly attest that my answers are true to the best of my knowledge.

Date: _____

SIGNED: _____

Place _____

Before: _____

PASTORAL GUIDES FOR NUPTIAL PREPARATION

The priest will now discuss with the bride her attitude toward marriage:

1. Whether she sincerely intends to enter a permanent union and accepts the obligation to be faithful?
2. Whether she wants children and whether she intends to grant her husband the right to have the children he wants?
3. Whether she understands the obligations of married life, the close companionship and generosity love requires and whether she feels she is emotionally and physically capable of fulfilling them?
4. Whether she is freely entering this marriage and can honestly say she has not been forced or pressured by any person or circumstances to go through with it?
5. Whether she has any doubts about the reasons why her future husband is entering this marriage?

I have seriously discussed with the woman who is to enter this marriage the significance of marriage, and from her statements and attitude I am convinced that she understands the obligations and responsibilities of marriage and wants to enter marriage as it is understood by the Catholic Church.

(Pastor) (Associate Pastor) (Delegate) (Deacon)

Additional Information:

Witnesses to marriage ceremony:

