

# ARCHDIOCESE OF INDIANAPOLIS

1400 North Meridian Street  
Indianapolis, IN 46202

## Preparation for Marriage Forms

Primary Contact for Groom	Primary Contact for Bride
<b>Name:</b> <b>First</b> _____ <b>Middle</b> _____ <b>Last</b> _____	<b>Name:</b> <b>First</b> _____ <b>Middle</b> _____ <b>Last</b> _____
<b>Religion</b> _____	<b>Religion</b> _____
<b>Home Phone</b> _____	<b>Home Phone</b> _____
<b>Cell Phone</b> _____	<b>Cell Phone</b> _____
<b>Email</b> _____	<b>Email</b> _____

## Wedding Ceremony

<b>Name of Celebrant:</b> <b>Priest/Deacon/Minister</b> <b>Title</b> _____ <b>First</b> _____ <b>Middle</b> _____ <b>Last</b> _____	<b>Site of Wedding:</b> <b>Name of Location</b> _____ <b>Rehearsal Date/Time</b> _____ <b>Wedding Date/Time</b> _____ <b>Street</b> _____ <b>City</b> _____ <b>State</b> _____ <b>Zip</b> _____
<b>Witness Name:</b> <b>First</b> _____ <b>Middle</b> _____ <b>Last</b> _____	<b>Witness Name:</b> <b>First</b> _____ <b>Middle</b> _____ <b>Last</b> _____

## Convalidation

<b>Civil Wedding Date</b> ___/___/___	<b>Officiant</b> _____	<b>City</b> _____	<b>State</b> _____
<p>I attest that both parties understand that this convalidation is a new consent to marry within the Catholic Church and not merely a continuation or "blessing" of an existing union (c. 1157). A copy of their existing civil marriage license has been obtained.</p>			
_____ <b>Signature of Celebrant</b>			___/___/___ <b>Date</b>

## Delegation

(This may be used in place of a letter of delegation.)

I, the undersigned delegating priest, who by law or general delegation has the faculty to validly assist at the marriage within the territory of the parish in which this marriage is to take place, hereby delegate \_\_\_\_\_ to witness this marriage in this parish.

**Name of priest/deacon officiating**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Signature of Delegating Priest**

\_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_  
**Date**

## Permission of Proper Pastor

The following named pastor \_\_\_\_\_ (*name of pastor*) of the parish of the bride and/or groom entering into this marriage has given permission (verbally or in writing, *circle one*) to: \_\_\_\_\_ (*celebrant of wedding*) to witness this marriage in the church indicated above, with the understanding that the necessary jurisdiction or delegation has been obtained.

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Signature of Marriage Preparer**

\_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_  
**Date**

## Permission for a Marriage of Mixed Religion

(For a marriage of a Catholic and baptized non-Catholic)

### Declaration of Faith of the Catholic Party

(This promise must be made in every marriage involving a non-Catholic.)

I reaffirm my faith in Jesus Christ and, with God's help, intend to continue living that faith in the Catholic Church. At the same time I acknowledge the respect I owe to the conscience of my partner in marriage. I promise to do all in my power to share the faith I have received with our children by having them baptized and raised as Catholics.

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Signature of the Catholic Party**

### Permission for a Marriage of Mixed Religion

I certify by my signature that the Catholic Party has made the above declaration and promise with full knowledge of its intent and that the other party is aware of the promise obliging the Catholic Party.

Having fulfilled the canonical requirements of canon 1125, and with sufficient reason, I hereby **GRANT PERMISSION** for the parties named above to marry. This **PERMISSION** is granted in virtue of the faculties granted to me by the Local Ordinary.

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Signature of Pastor/Associate Pastor**

\_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_  
**Date**

## Dispensation Obtained

(Please use the "Application for Dispensation" form.)

**Name of minister who will preside at the wedding**

**Date dispensation was requested** \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_  
**Type of Dispensation granted** \_\_\_\_\_

**Location of Marriage** \_\_\_\_\_  
**City/State** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date granted** \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_  
**Dispensation Number** \_\_\_\_\_

*Each of the parties should be interviewed individually. The interviewer should propose the questions and write or type the answers given. This form must be kept on permanent file in the parish of marriage. If the following questions should reveal an impediment or anything else that may stand in the way of a valid marriage or a licit marriage, please consult the Chancery.*

### Groom

<p><b>Groom's Address:</b></p> <p>Street _____</p> <p>City _____</p> <p>State _____ Zip _____</p> <p>County of Residence _____</p> <p>Groom's Date of Birth _____</p> <p>Groom's Place of Birth _____</p> <p><b>Father's Name:</b></p> <p>First _____</p> <p>Middle _____</p> <p>Last _____</p> <p>Address _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Religion _____</p> <p><b>Mother's Name:</b></p> <p>First _____</p> <p>Middle _____</p> <p>Maiden Name _____</p> <p>Address _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Religion _____</p>	<p>Age _____</p> <p>Occupation _____</p> <p>Education _____</p> <p><b>Groom's Religion:</b></p> <p>Name of Denomination _____</p> <p>Place of Worship and Address</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p><b>Baptized?</b> _____</p> <p><b>In what denomination?</b> _____</p> <p><b>Date</b> _____ <b>Church</b> _____</p> <p><b>Address</b> _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p><i>(Baptismal certificate issued within the last six months is required for baptized parties.)</i></p> <p><b>Confirmed?</b> _____</p> <p><b>Date</b> _____ <b>Church</b> _____</p> <p><b>Address</b> _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p><b>If received into the Catholic Church, date and place of reception into the Catholic Church:</b></p> <p>_____</p>
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## Canonical Questionnaire

1. Have you ever attempted or entered a marriage previously (in a church, civilly, or by common law)? \_\_\_\_\_ If “yes,” how many times? \_\_\_\_\_ If “yes,” are you fulfilling the obligations you may have to children from your former marriage (c. 1071, § 1,3)? \_\_\_\_\_ (Please give the following information about each prior marriage.)

Previous Marriages	First Marriage	Second Marriage	Third Marriage
a. With whom?			
b. What was your former spouse’s religion?			
c. Date of the Marriage?			
d. Place of Marriage?			
e. Date of Civil Divorce/Death of Spouse			

*(The death certificate of a prior spouse, a decree of nullity, or the lack of canonical form documentation must be attached for any prior marriage.)*

**If the decree of nullity indicates that a “*vetitum*” (“prohibition”) or “*monitum*” (“warning”) has been imposed, please consult the Tribunal who imposed the *vetitum* or *monitum*.**

2. Has your intended spouse ever been in a previous marriage? \_\_\_\_\_  
 If “yes,” how many times? \_\_\_\_\_

3. Are you entering into this marriage of your own free will? \_\_\_\_\_

4. Are you related to your intended spouse by blood, marriage or adoption? \_\_\_\_\_  
 If “yes,” please explain \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

5. Have you ever received the sacrament of Holy Orders or made a religious profession? \_\_\_\_\_  
 If “yes,” please explain \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

6. Are you aware of any emotional or psychological problems, or alcohol addiction, drug addiction, or other addictions on your part that may affect the marriage? \_\_\_\_\_ If “yes,” please explain \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

7. Are you aware of any emotional or psychological problems, or alcohol addiction, drug addiction, or other addictions on the part of your intended spouse that may affect the marriage? \_\_\_\_\_ If “yes,” please explain  
\_\_\_\_\_
8. Have you concealed anything from your intended spouse that might affect her willingness to marry you? \_\_\_\_\_ If “yes,” please explain \_\_\_\_\_
9. Do you intend to attach any condition or reservation (including a prenuptial agreement) to your marriage consent? \_\_\_\_\_
10. Do you intend freely and without reservation to give yourselves to each other in marriage? \_\_\_\_\_
11. Do you intend to enter a permanent and lifelong marriage and to love and honor each other as husband and wife for the rest of your lives? \_\_\_\_\_
12. Do you intend to accept children lovingly from God and to bring them up according to the law of Christ and his Church? \_\_\_\_\_
13. If you are under the age of 18, have you consulted your parents about this marriage and have you met the state legal requirements to enter into marriage? \_\_\_\_\_

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Signature of Groom**

\_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_  
**Date**

### Bride

<p><b>Bride's Address:</b></p> <p><b>Street</b> _____</p> <p><b>City</b> _____</p> <p><b>State</b> _____ <b>Zip</b> _____</p> <p><b>County of Residence</b> _____</p> <p><b>Bride's Date of Birth</b> _____</p> <p><b>Bride's Place of Birth</b> _____</p> <p>_____</p>	<p><b>Age</b> _____</p> <p><b>Occupation</b> _____</p> <p><b>Education</b> _____</p> <p><b>Bride's Religion:</b></p> <p><b>Name of Denomination</b> _____</p> <p><b>Place of Worship and Address</b></p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>
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If “yes,” please explain \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_  
**Signature of Bride**

\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_  
**Date**

### **Declaration of Matrimonial Intent**

*(Please have the couple sign the Declaration of Matrimonial Intent after they have completed the Canonical Questionnaire.)*

We, in the presence of one another, individually declare our freedom to marry and our freedom from any known impediments between us. We hold marriage to be a lifelong, faithful union and choose each other for the mutual and total sharing of our life and our love. It is a union which is open to children. It is a partnership of the whole of life and love that we seek to live and to which we will publicly give our consent in marriage.

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Signature of Groom**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Signature of Bride**

### **Declaration of Marriage Preparer**

*(The Declaration of the Marriage Preparer should be signed by the person who is to prepare the couple for the Sacrament of Matrimony upon the completion of marriage preparation.)*

I, the undersigned, declare that the persons whose signatures are affixed above appeared before me personally; that I asked each one individually the canonical questionnaire and recorded the answers given; that each party was interviewed separately; that I am satisfied as to the identity of the parties; that I have on file all necessary documents; and that the parties have been instructed in accord with the law of the Church.

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Signature of Marriage Preparer**

\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_  
**Date**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Place**