

THE PROPERS FOR MARRIAGE GUIDELINES
(from the Office of Divine Worship)
please implement from this day forward

FOR THE READINGS/PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL:

A Jewish person may read the Old Testament at a wedding or funeral *outside* of Mass. A non-Catholic Christian may read the Old Testament or the New Testament at a wedding or funeral *outside* of Mass. **Only a Catholic** may read *within* Mass. **Only a Catholic** may read the Prayer of the Faithful in official liturgy, *within or without* Mass.

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS:

Catholics should bring up the gifts. The rubric in the GIRM and Roman Missal that “the faithful” may bring up the gifts is understood to mean **Catholic** faithful.

READINGS: the following readings are to be used for weddings:

(if a couple wants different readings please have them get in contact with Fr. Kevin)

- FIRST READING: Genesis 1: 26-28, 31a
- RESPONSORIAL PSALMS can be any choice:

-Psalm 33:12 and 18, 20-21,22

-Psalm 34: 2-3, 4-5, 6-7,8-9

-Psalm 103: 1-2,8 and 13, 17-18a

-Psalm 112: 1bc-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7bc-8, 9

-Psalm 128: 1-2, 3, 4, 5ac and 6a

-Psalm 145: 8-9, 10 and 15, 17-18

-Psalm 148: 1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-13a, 13c-14a

- SECOND READING: Eph 5: 2a, 21-33 (long form)
- GOSPEL: Matt 19: 3-6

I have attached copies of the readings to put in your wedding binders

FIRST READING

(Gen 1: 26-28, 31)

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF GENESIS

Then God said: Let us make human beings in our image, after our likeness. Let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, the birds of the air, the tame animals, all the wild animals, and all the creatures that crawl on the earth.

God created mankind in his image;
in the image of God he created them;
male and female he created them.

God blessed them and God said to them: Be fertile and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it. Have dominion over the fish of the sea, the birds of the air, and all the living things that crawl on the earth.

God looked at everything he had made, and found it very good. Evening came, and morning followed—the sixth day.

THE WORD OF THE LORD

THANKS BE TO GOD

SECOND READING

(Eph 5: 2a, 21-33)

A READING FROM A LETTER OF ST. PAUL TO THE EPHESIANS

As beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and handed himself over for us as a sacrificial offering to God for a fragrant aroma.

Be subordinate to one another out of reverence for Christ.

Wives should be subordinate to their husbands as to the Lord.

For the husband is head of his wife just as Christ is head of the church, he himself the savior of the body. As the church is subordinate to Christ, so wives should be subordinate to their husbands in everything.

Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ loved the church and handed himself over for her to sanctify her, cleansing her by the bath of water with the word, that he might present to himself the church in splendor, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, that she might be holy and without blemish.

So [also] husbands should love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself. For no one hates his own flesh but rather nourishes and cherishes it, even as Christ does the church, because we are members of his body.

“For this reason a man shall leave [his] father and [his] mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh.”

This is a great mystery, but I speak in reference to Christ and the church. In any case, each one of you should love his wife as himself, and the wife should respect her husband.

THE WORD OF THE LORD

THANKS BE TO GOD

THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO MATTHEW

(Matt 19:3-6)

Some Pharisees approached him, and tested him, saying, “Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife for any cause whatever?”

He said in reply, “Have you not read that from the beginning the Creator ‘made them male and female’

and said, ‘For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh’?

So they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore, what God has joined together, no human being must separate.”

THE GOSPEL OF THE LORD

PRAISE TO YOU, LORD JESUS CHRIST