

Application for Marriage

Saint Mark's Episcopal Church, Upland. CA

DECLARATION OF INTENTION

Please write out the Declaration below in your own hand. Please complete with your full names in the first paragraph. You do not need to include the word “signatures” or the underscore/underlines “_____” in the final document.

We, _____ and _____,
desiring to receive the blessing of Holy Matrimony in the Church, do solemnly
declare that we hold marriage to be a lifelong union as it is set forth in the Book of
Common Prayer.

We believe that this union in heart, body, and mind, is intended by God for the
couple’s mutual joy; for the help and comfort given one another in prosperity and
adversity; and, when it is God’s will, for the procreation of children and their
nurture in the knowledge and love of the Lord.

And we do engage ourselves, so far as in us lies, to make our utmost effort to
establish this relationship and to seek God’s help thereto.

Signatures

COUPLE INFORMATION

Full Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Age: _____ & Date of Birth: _____

Denomination/Church: _____

Date and Place of Baptism: _____

Date and Place of Confirmation: _____

Father's Full Name: _____

Mother's Full Name: _____

Parents' Hometowns: _____

Names & Ages of Children: _____

Number of Previous Marriages: _____

Approval from the bishop will be needed for any divorces.

Please present the church with certified copies of all final divorce and/or annulment decrees. Date received: _____

Have you ever been refused marriage in the Episcopal Church? Yes/No

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Phone: _____

Email: _____

Mailing Address: _____

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Denomination/Church: _____

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SERMON PREPARATION

Please complete and return this page. Your responses for this section will be used for the preparation of the Homily. Please only include stories you wouldn't mind hearing from the pulpit on your wedding day. Please be as specific and complete as possible. Not everything you submit here will be included in the Homily.

Names: _____

“Dearly beloved”

Who are the principle people involved in your wedding?
Please include a one line description of each person.

“Joining together”

How did you meet?
Describe your first date.
Describe the wedding proposal.

“This couple”

Describe your personality and what you like about yourself.
Describe your partner's personality.
What do you like about your partner?
What are some things that make the other person special?

“Bond and covenant”

How are you two alike that makes for a good match?
How are you two different that makes for a good team?
What are some personal characteristics (or quirks) about the other person that you are learning to love?

“A wedding in Cana of Galilee”

Are there special reasons behind the particular choices of your wedding ceremony

“Mutual joy, help, and comfort”

How does your partner help you become a better person?
How does your partner help your relationship with God?

“Their nurture in the knowledge and love of the Lord”

Are there any children? Or animals?

WEDDING SERVICE INFORMATION

Please read through the following sample service and complete the following guide to help us complete the Church bulletin, announcements, and register. If you have any questions please contact the church office.

Including the couple, how many are there in the Wedding Party? _____

About how many guests do you expect? _____

Guest Clergy

All guest clergy must get approval from the rector – and, at times, from the Bishop via the rector.

Title and Name: _____

Position and Church: _____

Contact information: _____

Rehearsal

Day, Date & Time: _____

Place: _____

Please remember to bring the Wedding License to be completed and signed at the rehearsal.

Wedding

Day, Date & Time: _____

Place (if different from above):

Reception

Day, Date & Time: _____

Place (if different from above):
