

Catholic Marriage Decrees, Dispensation & Permissions

PLEASE PRINT

	Family Name	Parish	Diocese
GROOM <small>(BLOCK LETTERS)</small>	_____	_____	_____
BRIDE <small>(BLOCK LETTERS)</small>	_____	_____	_____

I, _____ (NAME) am a Catholic of the Parish of _____

I wish to marry _____ (NAME) with the blessing of the Catholic Church. In order for this to happen I request from my Bishop or his delegate the following favours:

(Tick ✓ all that apply)

<p>DISPENSATIONS REQUIRED</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> To marry someone not baptised</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> To marry someone whose baptism is not verified</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> From Catholic Form of Marriage</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> From close blood relationship</p>	<p>APPROVALS</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Mixed Marriage</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Marry in a suitable place other than a church</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> A Nuptial Mass</p> <p>DECREE</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Retroactive Validation of this marriage</p>
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CATHOLIC PERSON TO COMPLETE THESE QUESTIONS

If marrying a person of another denomination or religion.

YES / NO

1 I reaffirm my faith in Jesus Christ, and with God's help, intend to live that faith in the Catholic Church.	
2 I promise to do my best to share the Catholic Faith with our children, to have them baptised, and brought up in the Catholic Church.	
3 I will respect the right of my spouse to freely live and share his/her own faith and beliefs.	
4 I have informed my intended spouse of this declaration and promise.	

If seeking release from the Catholic Form of Marriage (not being married before a **Catholic Priest/Deacon or Catholic Church authorised celebrant**) : *The reasons I ask for this favour*

**If seeking to be married in a place other than a Catholic Church or
If seeking to have a Nuptial Mass when the spouse is of another denomination or religion.**

The reasons I wish to marry my Christian spouse in this way are :

I declare that the above questions have been explained to me and that the answers I give are true.

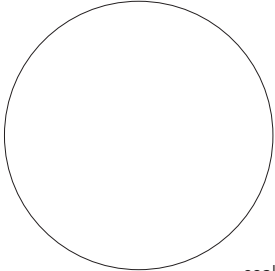
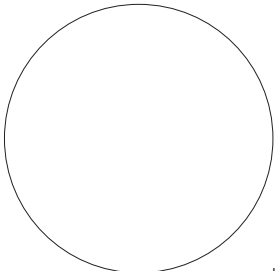
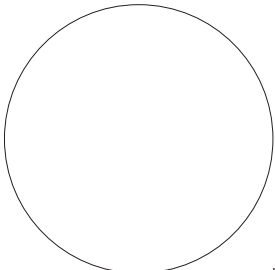
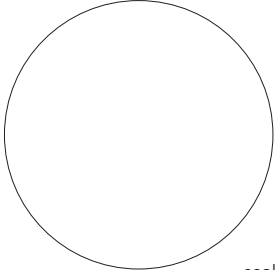
Signature _____ (CATHOLIC PERSON) _____ (DATE)

DECREES

Granting Dispensations

In view of the Circumstances presented to me in the above application, in the light of the promises given by the Catholic Person to this request, and in accordance with the provisions of Canon Law, the following dispensations and permissions are granted:

DISPENSATION:

<p>Disparity of Cult: (c. 1086) <i>One Spouse not baptised</i></p>	<p>GRANTED</p> <p>_____</p> <p>(NAME OF PRIEST)</p> <p>_____</p> <p>(SIGNATURE)</p> <p>_____</p> <p>(DATE)</p> <p></p> <p>seal</p>
<p>Catholic Form of Marriage: (c. 1108) <i>Catholic Priest / Deacon or Official Catholic Church authorised celebrant and 2 witnesses</i></p>	<p>GRANTED</p> <p>_____</p> <p>(NAME OF VICAR GENERAL / EPISCOPAL VICAR)</p> <p>_____</p> <p>(SIGNATURE)</p> <p>_____</p> <p>(DATE)</p> <p></p> <p>seal</p>
<p>First Cousins to Marry: (c. 1091)</p>	<p>GRANTED</p> <p>_____</p> <p>(NAME OF VICAR GENERAL / EPISCOPAL VICAR)</p> <p>_____</p> <p>(SIGNATURE)</p> <p>_____</p> <p>(DATE)</p> <p></p> <p>seal</p>
<p>Other Impediments:</p>	<p>GRANTED</p> <p>_____</p> <p>(NAME OF VICAR GENERAL / EPISCOPAL VICAR)</p> <p>_____</p> <p>(SIGNATURE)</p> <p>_____</p> <p>(DATE)</p> <p></p> <p>seal</p>

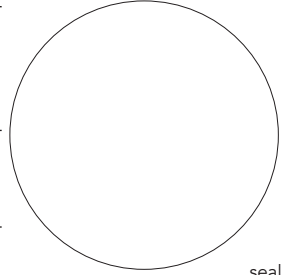
APPROVAL / PERMISSIONS:

Mixed Marriage - I approve this wedding: (c. 1124)
One Spouse baptised Catholic
One Spouse baptised Christian

(NAME OF PRIEST)

(SIGNATURE)

(DATE)



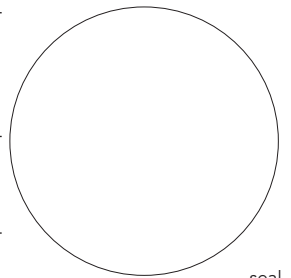
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I grant permission for this marriage in a suitable place outside a church:

(NAME OF VICAR GENERAL / EPISCOPAL VICAR)

(SIGNATURE)

(DATE)



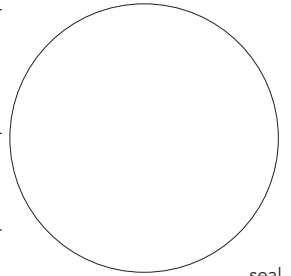
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I grant permission for a Nuptial Mass for this wedding.

(NAME OF VICAR GENERAL / EPISCOPAL VICAR)

(SIGNATURE)

(DATE)



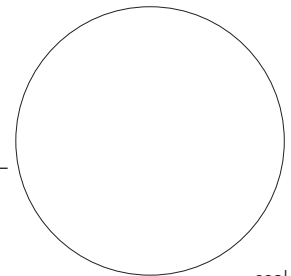
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Re: Impediment arising from Religious Profession of Sacred Orders or Previous Marriage

I confirm that I have received the necessary Decrees from the Holy See or Declaration of Freedom to marry or Proof of Death of previous spouse.

(NAME OF PRIEST)

(SIGNATURE)



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DECREE OF RADICAL SANATION

(Retroactive Validation)

In view of the Circumstances presented to me in the application, in the light of the promises given by the Catholic Party to this request, and in accordance with the provisions of Canon Law, (cc. 1161 - 1165), I hereby grant the following Radical Healing of a marriage enacted between

_____ a Catholic
(NAME)

AND

_____ not Catholic
(NAME)

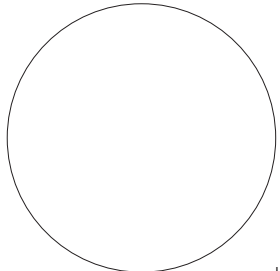
Celebrated on _____ at _____
(DATE) (PLACE)

with the canonical effects of a valid marriage retrospective to the date of the exchange of consent above.

The Decree includes dispensations from the impediments of:

- Disparity of Cult Consanguinity
 Lack of Canonical Form Other impediment

SANATION GRANTED BY:

<p>_____ (DATE)</p> <p>_____ (REF. NO.)</p>	<p>_____ (SIGNATURE)</p> <p>_____ (BISHOP OR DELEGATE WITH SPECIAL FACULTIES)</p> <div style="text-align: right;"> seal</div>
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To be completed by The Priest / Deacon

I declare that:

1. I have acted on the above decree and have informed the couple/petitioner of the decision of the Bishop.
2. I have told the couple/partitioner that this marriage is now recognised by the Catholic Church as valid and lawful.
3. I have notified the Parish Priest of the place of Baptism of the Catholic Party so that this valid marriage may be noted in the register of Baptism.

(PRIEST / DEACON)

(DATE)

Please return all these papers to the Chancery of the Diocese for appropriate filing.