

CREAM

DIOCESE OF YOUNGSTOWN  
141 West Rayen Avenue  
Youngstown, Ohio 44503

MD FORM  
MARRIAGE OF LATIN RITE  
CATHOLIC AND NON-CATHOLIC

**PRENUPTIAL INVESTIGATION**

**GROOM**

**BRIDE**

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

TELEPHONE \_\_\_\_\_

BIRTH DATE \_\_\_\_\_

BIRTH PLACE \_\_\_\_\_

RELIGION \_\_\_\_\_

BAPTISM DATE \_\_\_\_\_

CHURCH AND ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

FATHER \_\_\_\_\_

MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME \_\_\_\_\_

PRESENT PARISH \_\_\_\_\_

DATE MARRIAGE PLACE \_\_\_\_\_

WITNESSES \_\_\_\_\_

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 life-long and faithful union and process of choosing each other for the mutual sharing of our life and our love; it is a union which is open to children; it is a union which is modeled after and symbolizes God's ever-faithful love for His people. It is this partnership of life and love that we seek in marriage and to which we will publicly give our consent.

Signature of GROOM \_\_\_\_\_ Signature of BRIDE \_\_\_\_\_

After a thorough review, I can attest that this couple is free to marry and has the proper intentions in regard to Christian marriage.

COMMENTS: \_\_\_\_\_

FOR TRIBUNAL USE ONLY

Priest/Deacon: \_\_\_\_\_  
Parish \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_  
Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Delegation when needed:  
Granted to: \_\_\_\_\_  
Granted by: \_\_\_\_\_

NOTE: Priest is to note his evaluation in the space provided. He may use any other approved instruments that will assist him in making the necessary evaluation in each assessment area.

**SPIRITUAL ASSESSMENT**

- 1. Does spirituality have any influence on their daily lives and their approaching marriage?
- 2. What value does the Church have for them as a couple? What value will it have in their marriage?
- 3. Has the Catholic party received the sacrament of Confirmation?
- 4. Are there areas of religious differences? Will this hinder the rearing of children in the Catholic Church?
- 5. What role does public worship have in their lives? How will the faith community help them in their relationship to God?
- 6. Do they consider marriage to be a sacrament? Will their marriage ceremony be pre-eminently a religious celebration?

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**PERSONALITY ASSESSMENT**

- 1. How long have they known each other? Have they been able to communicate effectively with each other?
- 2. Do they show signs of a growing maturity? What is their attitude toward parents, authority, and superiors?
- 3. Do they perceive the basic obligations and responsibilities of marriage, parenthood and job?
- 4. Have they been under a doctor's care for any mental or physical ailments? Are there problems with drugs or alcohol?
- 5. Do they seem compatible in personality, character, temperament and feelings?

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**CANONICAL ASSESSMENT**

- 1. Has either party been married before? If so, how will this previous marriage be dissolved? (Death certificate or decree of nullity enclosed.)
- 2. Are they entering marriage freely without force, coercion, and social pressure?
- 3. Do they intend to enter a permanent commitment, be faithful to one another and to rear a family eventually?
- 4. Are there any impediments to their marriage, namely blood relationship, age, vows, sacred orders, impotency or crimen?
- 5. Is this a validation of a recognized civil union? If so, give date of civil union.

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APPLICATION FOR DISPENSATIONS AND /OR PERMISSIONS

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Chancery Number \_\_\_\_\_

1. I, \_\_\_\_\_, a Catholic residing in

\_\_\_\_\_ Parish \_\_\_\_\_ City

wishing to marry \_\_\_\_\_

of \_\_\_\_\_ Congregation \_\_\_\_\_ City

(Check one:)

The other party is Catholic but not practicing the Faith.

( ) Request permission for Mixed Religion

The non-Catholic party is validly baptized and proven by official record.

( ) Request permission for Mixed Religion

The non-Catholic party is validly baptized but no official record is available.

( ) Request permission for Mixed Religion and precautionary dispensation from Disparity of Worship

The non-Catholic party is doubtfully baptized.

( ) Request permission for Mixed Religion and precautionary dispensation from Disparity of Worship

The non-Catholic party is not baptized.

( ) Request dispensation from the impediment of Disparity of Worship

PRENUPTIAL DECLARATION AND PROMISE

By Catholic party:

I reaffirm my faith in Jesus Christ and, with God's help, intend to continue living that faith in the Catholic Church.

I promise to do all in my power to share the faith I have received with our children by having them baptized and reared as Catholics.

\_\_\_\_\_ Catholic Party

Check if necessary: ( ) The Catholic party chose to make the above declaration and promise orally.

\*I certify that the other party has been informed of the promise obliging the Catholic spouse.

\_\_\_\_\_ Date

\_\_\_\_\_ Signature of Priest/Deacon

The canonical cause for this request is: (Check one:)

( ) pastoral care of souls

( ) grave spiritual harm to the parties

( ) danger of marriage outside the Church

( ) hope of conversion

2. I, \_\_\_\_\_, request a dispensation from the Catholic  
Catholic Party

form of marriage so that the marriage may be contracted in \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ Church, \_\_\_\_\_  
City

with the minister serving as the official witness to our exchange of vows. The reason for this request is:

- (Check one) ( ) for family harmony  
 ( ) for parental agreement to the marriage  
 ( ) close relationship to non-Catholic minister

3. I request permission for the Catholic Priest to serve as the official witness to our exchange of vows in a non-Catholic church.

Non-Catholic Church \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_

4. I request permission for the marriage to take place in the Orthodox Church with the Orthodox Priest as the principal witness.

Orthodox Church \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_

5. I request a particular permission required by law but not mentioned above.

(Please specify) \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Catholic Party

*I certify that to the best of my knowledge the parties making the above request are truthful and sincere.*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Priest/Deacon