

PETITION SELECTIONS FOR WEDDINGS

(select one set)

1 Prayers of the Faithful

1. For our Holy Father on earth, the Pope, all the bishops and the clergy everywhere that they may lead us to deeper faith in God and a stronger love for others, let us pray to the Lord.
2. For our president and all leaders of government that they may be effective in achieving peace and eliminating poverty, we pray to the lord.
3. For married persons that they may continue to give, be able to forgive, and find happiness deepen with the passing of each day, we pray to the Lord.
4. For N. and N., now beginning their life together, that they may have divine assistance at every moment, the constant support of friends, the rich blessing of children, a warm love reaching out to others, and good health until a ripe old age, we pray to the Lord.
5. For those who are sick, lonely, discouraged, or oppressed that they may be strengthened by God's help and aided by their friends, we pray to the Lord.
6. For those who have died, especially the relatives and friends of N. and N., and of all present at this wedding, that they may enjoy perfect joy in eternal life, we pray to the Lord.

2 Prayers of the Faithful

1. For leaders of Church and state
for heads of institutions...
that they will lead us and guide us in the search for God,
in the search for peace, and for love among all people...
– We pray to the Lord.
2. For all married people:
for those married years ago...for the new couple, N. and N. married today,
for those who will marry tomorrow....
may they savor the joy of being together in God's life-giving love.
– We pray to the Lord.
3. For all single people who look forward to a vocation of a life in serving others...
- We pray to the Lord.
4. For the lonely old and the lonely young, for the hungry rich and the hungry poor,
for the sick in body, mind and spirit, for the weakness in all of us...
– We pray to the Lord.
5. For our relatives and friends who walk with us on life's journey
and for those who have gone before us to the other side of life. For eternal joy and peace...
--We pray to the Lord.

3 Prayers of the Faithful

God has given us promises in the Scripture we have heard; and **N. and N.** have given their promise of faithful love to each other in marriage. This hour of promise is also a time of prayer. So, we turn to our God in prayer as we respond with: "Lord, have mercy."

1. For our Church, to keep the promise of salvation, we pray to the Lord.
2. For our world, to keep the promise of peace, we pray to the Lord.
3. For our country, to keep the promise of freedom, we pray to the Lord.
4. For our parish, to keep the promise of discipleship, we pray to the Lord.
5. For our hearts, to keep the promise of loving, we pray to the Lord.
6. For our hands, to keep the promise of giving, we pray to the Lord.
7. For our lives, to keep the promise of growing, we pray to the Lord.
8. For married couples, to keep the promise of faithful love, we pray to the Lord.

4 Prayers of the Faithful

1. For **N. and N.**, who today bestowed upon each other the Sacrament of Marriage. May their lives together may be blessed with happiness and peace; may they help each other to become more fully human and Christian. We pray to the Lord.
2. For the parents of the bride and groom. May the joy at first bringing their children into the world may be renewed today in hope as they wish their children every blessing in their life together. We pray to the Lord.
3. For their families and friends. May the lord may bless all those who, by their prayers and practical help, have brought **N. and N.** to this joyful day. We pray to the Lord.
4. For those preparing for marriage. May they see today in this joyful celebration, a goal towards which they aim by honest and sincere preparation. We pray to the Lord.
5. For peace in our world and an end to violence. We pray to the Lord.
6. For all who have died and have gone before us, especially those who were near and dear to the bride and groom and their families. May they know the reward of their goodness in eternity. We pray to the Lord.