



**RITE OF CHRISTIAN MARRIAGE
(LITURGICAL AND CATECHETICAL GUIDELINES)
Diocese of Great Falls-Billings**

RITE FOR CELEBRATING MARRIAGES – 1969

DURING MASS

Gathering Rite

1. Gathering the Assembly
2. Procession
3. Greeting (3)
4. Penitential Rite (3)
5. Gloria
6. Opening Prayer

Liturgy of the Word

7. Old Testament Reading (8)
8. Responsorial Psalm
9. New Testament Reading (10)
10. Gospel Acclamation (4)
11. Gospel (10)
12. Homily

Marriage Rite

13. Address & Statement of intentions
14. Consent & Exchange of Vows
(2 questions/2declarations)
15. Blessing & Exchange of Rings (3)
16. General Intercessions

OUTSIDE MASS

Gathering Rite

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3. Greeting
4. Opening Prayer

Liturgy of the Word

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6. Responsorial Psalm
7. New Testament Reading
8. Gospel Acclamation
9. Gospel
10. Homily

Marriage Rite

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12. Consent & Exchange of Vows
13. Blessing & Exchange of Rings
14. General Intercessions
15. Nuptial Blessing (#33,120,121)

WITH AN UNBAPTIZED PERSON

Gathering Rite

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2. Procession
3. Greeting

Liturgy of the Word

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Liturgy of the Eucharist

17. Preparation of the Gifts
Prayer over the Gifts (3)
18. Eucharistic Prayer
19. The Lord's Prayer
20. Nuptial Blessing (3)
21. Sign of Peace
22. Breaking of the Bread
23. Communion
24. Prayer after Communion (3)

Concluding Rites

25. Solemn Blessing (4)
26. Dismissal (3)
17. Recessional

Concluding Rites

16. The Lord's Prayer
17. Blessing
18. Recessional

(This Rite may include distribution of Communion.

If so use the following model)

16. Lord's Prayer
17. Communion
18. Psalm/Song/Silence
19. Prayer
20. Blessing
21. Recessional

Concluding Rites

15. The Lord's Prayer
16. Blessing
17. Recessional