The Nuptial Mass celebrating the union of

###### **Bride**

###### and

###### **Groom**

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In the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony

DAY, DATE at TIME

St. John’s Church, Creighton University

Rev. PRIEST’S NAME, Presider

Thank you for coming to our wedding celebration.

It means a great deal to us that you are witnesses to our marriage vows.

This program will serve as a guide to the order of the service.

We encourage you to participate in the celebratory blessing of this liturgy with full heart and voice. All music can found in the hymnals located in the pews or

reprinted in this program. Numbers above #800 are in the supplement at the back of the hymnals in St. John’s.

In order to respect the dignity of the ceremony, we ask that there is no flash photography during the service.

Additionally, please silence all cell phones and other electronic devices.

Thank You

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| **The Wedding Party** | |
| **GrandParents of the Groom**  Names | **GrandParents of the Bride**  Names |
| **Parents of the Groom**  Names | **Parents of the Bride**  Names |
| **best man**  Name  *Relationship to the Couple* | **maid of honor**  Name  *Relationship to the Couple* |
| **Groomsmen**  Name  *Relationship to the Couple*    Name  *Relationship to the Couple* | **Bridesmaids**  Name  *Relationship to the Couple*    Name  *Relationship to the Couple* |
| **Ring Bearer**  Name  *Relationship to the Couple* | **Flower Girl**  Name  *Relationship to the Couple* |
| **Ushers**  Name  *Relationship to the Couple* | |

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| **Ministers of the Liturgy** | |
| **Celebrant**  Rev. Priest’s Name | **Altar Server**  Name  *Relationship to the Couple* |
| **Cantor**  Name | **Piano / Organ**  Name |
| **Lector**  Name  *Relationship to the Couple* | **Lector**  Name  *Relationship to the Couple* |
| **Gift Bearer**  Name  *Relationship to the Couple* | **Gift Bearer**  Name  *Relationship to the Couple* |
| **Ministers of Holy Communion**  Name  *Relationship to the Couple* | **Ministers of Holy Communion**  Name  *Relationship to the Couple* |

**Preludes**

**Introductory Rites**

**Seating of the Generations Title** (Composer)

**Procession of the Wedding Party Title** (Composer)

*Please remain seated as the Wedding Party enters the church.*

**Procession of the Bride Title** (Composer)

*Please stand as the Bride enters the church.*

**Gathering Hymn ### Title** (Composer)

*Please join in singing as the Bride and Groom meet at the front of the church.*

**Greeting**

*The priest greets the couple at the door and invites the Church to share in their joy.*

**Opening Prayer**

**Glory to God ### Mass Setting** (Composer)

*After singing, please be seated.*

**Liturgy of the Word**

**First Reading Scripture Citation**

*Lector:* The word of the Lord.

*All respond:* Thanks be to God.

**Responsorial Psalm ## ### Title** (Composer)

**Second Reading Scripture Citation**

*Lector:* The word of the Lord.

*All respond:* Thanks be to God.

**Gospel Acclamation ### Title** (Composer)

*Please stand and join in singing.*

**Gospel Reading Scripture Citation**

*Priest:* The Lord be with you.

*All respond:* And with your spirit.

*Priest:* A reading from the holy Gospel according to NAME.

*All respond:* Glory to you, O Lord.

*The priest proclaims the Gospel.*

*Priest:* The Gospel of the Lord.

*All respond:* Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

**Homily**

*Please be seated.*

**Rite of Matrimony**

**Statement of Intentions**

*The priest asks the couple about their freedom of choice, fidelity to each other, and the acceptance and upbringing of children.*

**Consent & Reception of Consent**

*When the couple have declared their consent and entered into the sacrament of*

*matrimony, the priest invites those present to praise God.*

*Priest:* Let us bless the Lord!

*All respond in song:* Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

**Blessing & Giving of Rings**

*The couple exchanges rings as a sign of their unending fidelity to each other and of God’s unending love.*

**Blessing and Giving of the *Arras***

*The arras, or wedding coins, represent the couple’s promise to provide for each*

*other’s needs and their commitment to care for those who come to them seeking kindness.*

**(Hymn of Praise ### Title** (Composer))

*Please join the singing in celebration.*

**Prayer of the Faithful**

*Please stand as we pray for the world, the Church, the gathered community, and the new family.*

*All respond to each prayer:* Lord, hear our prayer.

**The Lord’s Prayer**

**Blessing and Giving of the *Lazo***

*The tradition of the lazo, or cord and veil, is a visual representation that what God has joined, no one may divide.*

**Nuptial Blessing**

*The priest blesses the new spouses as they prepare to enter the world as a married couple.*

**Concluding Rites**

**Final Blessing**

*The priest blesses the people.*

*All respond:* Amen.

**Sending Forth ### Title** (Composer)

**(Postlude Title** (Composer))

Thank You

We would like to express our sincerest thanks to all of you

for helping us make this day a joyous celebration,

especially our parents who gave us life;

our families who shared our life;

our relatives and friends who helped us

to reach this special day.

We are honored you can share these sacred

and joyous moments with us today.

May God bless each one of you.

Bride & Groom