#### **Marriage Forms Helper**

- For best results: Obtain recently issued baptismal documents for marriage couple BEFORE preparing these marriage papers.
- Each piece of information completed here will automatically be transferred to marriage forms, which can then be printed and used for the remainder of the wedding preparation process.
- Consult the Official Catholic Directory (OCD) for Parish names & addresses outside of the Diocese of Fargo

Today's Date:	Marriage Date:				
	Groom	Bride			
Full baptismal name					
Current Residence Address					
City, State ZIP					
Phone Number(s)					
Email Address					
Date of Birth					
Age					
Date of Baptism					
Church of Baptism					
Mailing Address1					
Mailing Address2					
City, State ZIP					
Current Pastor of Church of Baptism					
Place of Confirmation					
Date of Confirmation					
Father's full name					
Father's address					
City, State ZIP					
Mother's full maiden name					
Mother's address					
City, State ZIP					
Parish Church you are currently registered/attending					
, , ,	Parish of Preparation Information	Parish where Marriage will take place			
Cleric [include title]					
Parish Name					
Address1					

City, State ZIP

#### **Marriage Forms Helper - Instructions**

- Fill in the common pieces of data on page one. This information should all be gathered before the priest or deacon sits down to interview the couple.
- Much of the data on page one is automatically filled in on the following forms.

#### Exceptions:

- The Catholic's name and baptismal information must be copied and pasted onto the Form B (or simply re-entered).
- O If there are two Catholics, use the groom's name in the "Catholic" spot so that we enter these into the diocesan register in a uniform manner.

#### Printing

- Print only the necessary forms
- O Always used: Forms A & F.
- Often needed: Forms B & C.
- Note: There are two Form F's generated, one for each member of the couple.

#### Filling out the remainder of the paperwork

- O If desired, other fields on the forms may be filled out online.
- One could interview each member of the couple separately, and then print the completed forms.
- Some questions and answers are not really valid until after preparation is complete. Therefore, they SHOULD NOT be filled out except by hand.
- Don't mail the Form F's until after the wedding takes place!

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# PRE-NUPTIAL INQUIRY

### Form A

\*Please Print All Fields\*

NIHIL (Date:	OBSTAT	Γ (Diocesan Use Only)
Month	Day	Year
Chancell	or/Deleg	ate

Date of Marriag	e:	Priest/Deacon/Minister Assisting		
		Parish of Marriage		
MARRIAGI	E <b>OF</b> :		te the marriage is celebre to the Tribunal <b>six wee</b>	rated or recorded. If outside ks prior to wedding.)
	Parish/Cong. of		City	State
	Parish/Cong. of		City	State
		AGE PREPARATION		
Date of first con	tact for Marriage Preparation	Da	te of Engagement	
How long have	you known each other?			
☐ CONVALID	OATION attempted marriage: Place		Dat	te:
D ' 1	ess of Parish in which you intend to re			State
OFFICIAL W	(Please inform Pastor i	nto whose parish they w	vill be moving)	
Yes No	Has the required Pre-Marital Inven	tory been taken?		
Yes No	Has the required Marriage Preparat	tion Course/Engaged En	counter been complet	ed and certificate enclosed
Yes No	Yes No Has the required full course in a method of Natural Family Planning been completed and certificate enclo			
Yes No	Yes No Have at least three pastoral conferences by the priest/deacon preparing the couple been given?			•
Yes No	Has the couple been instructed abo	•	•	f marriage?
Yes No	Has the couple been instructed abo	•	•	
Yes No	Has the couple been instructed abo	_	on openness to childi	ren?
Yes No	Have there been conferences with s		-1:- 1411: 4:	
Yes No	For any marriage when only one partial varied religious convictions and the			scussion of the
DISPENSATIO	NS:			
Required per	rmissions/dispensations completed &	enclosed. List:		None needed.
NOTIFICATIO	N OF MARRIAGE (FORM F) - C	Complete only AFTER th	ne wedding takes plac	e.
Bride - Form F o	Bride - Form F of Catholic sent (Date)  Return receipt from Baptismal pastor			l pastor
Groom - Form F	Groom - Form F of Catholic sent (Date) Return receipt from Baptismal pastor			l pastor

NOTE: Consult Form B for permission to relax diocesan policies regarding the use of a pre-marital inventory, a marriage preparation course, preparation time (6 months), completion of a full course in Natural Family Planning, or a youthful marriage (under age 20).

#### **DATA AND INFORMATION (GROOM)**

Baptismal Name	In what religion were you baptized?
Age Date of Birth	When
Place of Birth	Where
Phone #	In what religion were you confirmed?
Residence address	When
City, State ZIP	Where
Length of residence in Diocese of Fargo (yrs)	Your religion now
Father's name	If applicable: Date & Place of Reception (RCIA)
Religion	<u> </u>
Address	YES NO Do you actively practice your faith?
City, State ZIP	YES NO Is anyone in your family Eastern Rite
Mother's maiden name	Catholic or Eastern Orthodox Christian?
Religion	(If a baptized Catholic lists another current religion)
Address	YES NO Did you leave the Catholic Church by
City, State ZIP	a formal act between 11/27/1983 and 10/26/2009?
Yes No Do you and your fiancée intend to give ex No Do you promise to be faithful to your wif	have reservations regarding your marriage?  with  YES* NO Do you have/intend to have a Prenuptial Agreement?**  d or  YES* NO Have you ever had counseling for personal-emotional problems?  explaining this.  all for approval before a wedding can occur.  ou to Christ?  you and your future spouse together for the rest of your life?  ach other the normal sexual rights necessary to have children?  fe until death?  ant that is permanent, and if between the baptized, freely and I intend to be faithful to my wife.
Signature of Groom	
I HEREBY PERSONALLY CERTIFY TO THE FREEDO	Date OM OF THE ABOVE SIGNED PARTY:
Signature of Priest/Deacon conducting investigation	Date
D '1	Trace.

SACRAMENTAL/FAITH LIFE

(If the free status of the above party is doubtful, the doubt must be resolved by another's testimony with Form C)

#### SACRAMENTAL/FAITH LIFE DATA AND INFORMATION (BRIDE) In what religion were you baptized? **Baptismal** Name When Date of Birth Age Where Place of Birth In what religion were you confirmed? Phone # When Residence address Where City, State ZIP Your religion now Length of residence in Diocese of Fargo (yrs) If applicable: Date & Father's name Place of Reception (RCIA) Religion YES NO Do you actively practice your faith? Address Is anyone in your family Eastern Rite City, State ZIP Catholic or Eastern Orthodox Christian? Mother's maiden name (If a baptized Catholic lists another current religion) Religion NO Did you leave the Catholic Church by Address a formal act between 11/27/1983 and 10/26/2009? City, State ZIP ¬NO Do your parents/relatives/friends COMMON IMPEDIMENTS OR PASTORAL CONCERNS have reservations regarding your NO Have you ever been married previously, even marriage? YES\* NO Do you have/intend to have a NO Have you ever made a vow inconsistent with Prenuptial Agreement?\*\* the married state? (ie. Ordination, profession, private vow YES\* NO Have you ever had counseling for YES\* NO Are you related to your fiancée by blood or personal-emotional problems? marriage? \*If yes, the priest/deacon MUST attach a typed letter explaining this. \*\*Prenuptial agreements must be sent to the Tribunal for approval before a wedding can occur. Yes No Do you believe this marriage commits you to Christ? No Do you believe that this marriage binds you and your future spouse together for the rest of your life? Yes Yes No Do you and your fiancée intend to give each other the normal sexual rights necessary to have children? No Do you promise to be faithful to your husband until death? I understand that marriage is an irrevocable covenant that is permanent, and if between the baptized, indissoluble. Thus, I am entering marriage freely and I intend to be faithful to my husband. I HEREBY DECLARE THE ABOVE ANSWERS ARE TRUE.

Signature of Bride	Date
I HEREBY PERSONALLY CERTIFY TO THE FREEDOM O	F THE ABOVE SIGNED PARTY:
Signature of Priest/Deacon conducting investigation	 Date

Parish

(If the free status of the above party is doubtful, the doubt must be resolved by another's testimony with Form C)

Address

Date

*PRIOR MARRIAGES (Groom)	Einst Marriage	Second Marriage	Third Mouriege
Name of Partner	First Marriage	Second Marriage	Third Marriage
Date of Marriage			
Date of Cessation of Bond			
How did the bond cease?			
Date of Annulment (if needed)			
Case Number/Diocese Was a restriction attached?(list)			
*PRIOR MARRIAGES (Bride)		,	
	First Marriage	Second Marriage	Third Marriage
Name of Partner			
Date of Marriage			
Date of Cessation of Bond			
How did the bond cease?			
Date of Annulment (if needed)			
Case Number/Diocese			
Was a restriction attached?(list)			
**For all prior m	arriages, include the de	eath certificate or the declaration	on of nullity
ADDITIONAL COMMENTS			
PRIEST/DEACON WHO PREPA	RED COUPLE	PRIEST/DEACON WITN	ESSING THE WEDDING
I testify that these persons whose sign		Marriage preparation has be	een conducted either by myself
have received personal preparation for		or by such persons who have the authentic documents end	re notified me of the results by
evident that nothing stands in the way celebration of their wedding (cc. 1063		the authentic documents end	ciosed with this form.
-		G. A	D. /
Signature	Date	Signature	Date
DELEGATION BY PASTOR FOR	ASSISTING AT THI	IS MARRIAGE	
I,	Pastor of		Church hereby give
delegation to		who, having observed the pr	rescriptions of law may witness
the marriage of		and	
I will ensure the recording of this mar	riage in the sacramenta	al records.	

Date

Pastor's Signature

#### **NOTIFICATION OF MARRIAGE**

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#### Form F

		Date:	
Dear Pastor,			
I write to inform you t	hat on		
y	Date of Marriage (mm/dd/yyyy)	Print Complete Name (First, Middle, Last)	—'
who was baptized at tl		in	
	Name of Church of Baptismal		
on	, contracted marri		
Date of Baptism (mm/dd/yy		Print Complete Name of Spouse (First, Middle, Last)	-
	(799)		
and took place at	Name of Church of Marriage	in	
		1	
		and advise me of this fact by signing below and	
returning this entire fo	orm to me.		
	Day		
	Kev	D. C. CCI. J. CM D. J.	
		Pastor of Church of Marriage Record	
		p > 1 C	1
		Parish Sea	
	* * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *	* * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *	
	Dear	Pastor,	
- x1			100
☐ I have noted this m	arriage in the baptismal regist	er as you have requested in accord with Canon 1	122.
Date:	Rev.		
		Pastor of Church of Baptismal Record	
		Parish Sea	!
Return To (if applicable)	Priest/Deacon		
	Address		
	Address		

#### NOTIFICATION OF MARRIAGE

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#### Form F

			Da	.te:	
Dear Pastor,					
I write to inform you t	that on	,			_
-	Date of Marriage (n	nm/dd/yyyy)	Print Complete Nan	ne (First, Middle,	Last)
who was baptized at the	-		in		
		of Baptismal Record		tate, Zip Code	
On Date of Baptism (mm/dd/yy		ted marriage w		0.0	76111 7 3
	ууу)		Print Complete Name	e of Spouse (First	, Middle, Last)
and took place at			in		
	Name of Church of Ma	arriage	City, State,	Zip Code	
Please record this mar returning this entire for					below and
		Rev			
			Pastor of Church of Marria	ige Record	
					Parish Seal
					Farish Seai
Dear Pastor,	* * * * * * * * * * * * *	* * * * * * * * * *	* * * * * * * * * * * * *	* * * *	
☐ I have noted this m	narriage in the baptisr	nal register as y	you have requested i	in accord wi	th Canon 1122
	ium une oupusi		, ou nuve requesteur	ar accord w	Cullon 1122.
Date:		Pav			
Date			Pastor of Church of Baptismal		-
					Parish Seal
Return To (if applicable)					
Tittuin 10 (ii appiitatio)	Priest/Deacon			_	
		Clergy Arrangin	g Marriage		
	Address			_	
	_			_	
		/			

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## PETITION FOR DISPENSATION OR PERMISSION

#### **FORM B**

\*Please Print All Fields\*

No	
Disp/Perm	
By	
Date Granted	-
Diocesan Use Only	

Today's Date	Wedding Date			
		, age , a	Catholic who is a me	ember of the parish of
Catholic Name (First 1	Middle Last)			
		W	ho was baptized on	, at
Parish Name	City	State		Baptismal Date
	,	,	wishing to n	narry
Baptismal Parish Name	Cit	y	State	
		, age, v	vho is:	
2nd Party Name (First	Middle Last)			
BAPTISMAL STATUS:				_
Baptized Catholic		Baptized non-Ca	ıtholic	Not baptized
Baptized Catholic who left the by a formal act or notoriously between Nov. 27, 1983 and Oc	rejected it			Doubtfully baptized
I. PETITIONS A DISPENSATION	ON FROM THE IMP	EDIMENT OF:		
Disparity of Cult [Not baptized] Disparity of Cult ad cautelam Consanguinity (the fourth deg collateral line, i.e. first cousing	(c. 1086) gree in the		opriety (c. 1093) ationship arising from	Abduction (c. 1089) m adoption (c. 1094)
II. PETITIONS A DISPENSAT		_	YES* (See back s	side for reasons & details)
III. PETITIONS PERMISSION				
Mixed Religion [Baptized	<b>3</b> \	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	•	
One who has left the Catho 27, 1983 and Oct. 26, 200				
Pre-Nuptial Agreement (co	py attached)*			
THE CANONICAL REASON I  Removal of serious scand Mutual help in advanced Danger of invalid marria Legitimation of children	dal age	Convalidati Promise to		•
IV. PETITIONS PERMISSION	FOR RELAXATION	OF THE DIOC	ESAN POLICY OF	N THE:
Use of Pre-Marital Inventory Completion of a Marriage Pre Completion of a full course of Age of Marriage (Under 20 re	* paration Course* instruction in a metho quires permission. A so	d of Natural Fami eparate counselor's	ly Planning (NFP)* s recommendation is	s required.)*
Full Marriage Preparation per	iod (Policy is six mont	ths. Permission red	quired for less than f	Four months.)*
*Typed Letter of Explanation a	nd Pre-Marital Invent	ory MUST be at	tached. (They will b	e returned to you.)

(Be sure to complete reverse side & sign form)

#### PROMISES OF THE CATHOLIC PETITIONER

I,	, intend to marry
faith in J from the share the	re of another Church, ecclesial community, or faith, or is not practicing his/her Catholic faith. I reaffirm my lesus Christ, and intend to continue living that faith in the Catholic Church, removing any dangers of defecting faith. I acknowledge the respect I owe to the conscience of my future spouse. I promise to do all that I can to e faith I have received with all our children by having them baptized, reared, and educated as Catholics. My bouse is fully aware of my convictions. I am reasonably confident that I shall be able to live up to them.
Date	Signature of the Catholic petitioner
been info	nired promise and declaration have been made by the Catholic petitioner in my presence. The other party has ormed of this requirement so that it is certain that he/she is aware of the promise and obligation on the part of olic petitioner. I believe the Catholic petitioner is sincere in his/her intentions to live up to these promises.
Witness	of the above promise and signature (priest/deacon)
	REQUEST FOR DISPENSATION FROM CANONICAL FORM
	NOT complete this section further unless you NEED a dispensation from canonical form omit to the Tribunal at least one month in advance of Wedding Date
Ordinary (c. 1127,	are grave difficulties in the way of observing the Catholic canonical form in a mixed marriage, the local of the Catholic party may dispense the Catholic from the observance of the form for a just and reasonable cause, 1108). The Catholic party requests such a dispensation from the canonical form for the following:
REASO	N(S) FOR DISPENSATION FROM CANONICAL FORM
	To permit marriage in a church of particular importance to the member of another Church or ecclesial community
	To achieve family harmony or to avoid family alienation
	To obtain parental agreement to the marriage
	To recognize significant relationship/friendship to minister of another Church or ecclesial community  Other (specify)
THE PU	JBLIC FORM WILL BE CELEBRATED AT:
Church:	Officiating Minister:
Address:	: Mailing Address:
	questing Dispensation from Canonical Form, in order to aid in making a determination about the dispensation, ail all pre-nuptial papers (including inventory) to the Tribunal office. They will be returned to you.  PRIESTS/DEACONS PLEASE ANSWER THESE QUESTIONS
Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes CON	No Have both parties been instructed on the essential ends and properties of marriage?  No Are all baptismal certificates enclosed. (Catholic and member of other Church or ecclesial community)?  No Was each Catholic party's baptismal certificate issued no more than six months BEFORE wedding prep?  No Does each Catholic baptismal certificate have complete notations of sacraments, particularly marriage?  No If this marriage is underage (less than 20), is a separate counselor's recommendation attached?  No If there is a Prenuptial Agreement, is this attached?  VALIDATION - Date and Place of attempted marriage
	uest relaxation of one year wait before convalidating this marriage attempt. (Provide reason in attached letter.)
_ `	e of Priest/Deacon
	Parish Name City, State Zip Code

Parish Name

#### AFFIDAVIT OF MARITAL FREEDOM

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#### Form C

This form is to completed and signed in the presence of a 2nd party

Witness to be interviewed			
	(must have known the person	listed below for at least 1 year)	
Address		2	,
City		State	Zip Code
AFFID	AVIT CONCERNING T	THE MARITAL FR	EEDOM OF
		who is to l	be married on
(Here After Refer	rred To As "this person")		Wedding Date
1. Are you related to this per- If not, how long have you	son? If <b>yes</b> , how?_ known, and how well do yo	u know this person?	
marriage(s), name of former	spouse(s), date and place of p	revious marriage(s), etc.	ase give details: number of previous
			If not, what is their objection?
now? If <b>yes</b> , why  5. Do you know of anything	not?	d in regard to this person	n's forthcoming
6. Do you declare that the ab	ove answers are the entire to	ruth?	
Place			
		Signature of Witnes	S
Date	·	Signature of 2nd part	ty
Remarks			-
T. (12			
Return To (if applicable)	Priest/Deacon		
		Clergy Arranging Marriage	
	Address		Parish Seal
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