

Protocol No:

PARISH OF

INFORMATION FOR MARRIAGE

(BLOCK CAPITALS to be used for all PERSONS and PLACES)

Bride	Groom
Surname:	Surname:
Forenames:	Forenames:
Religion:	Religion:

Date of Marriage..... Time..... Nuptial Mass? Yes /No

Place of Marriage.....

Diocese of Marriage.....

Name and address of celebrant.....

Address at which couple will live after Marriage

Date of first contact with the parish.....

12 months notification given? Yes/No Dispensation from this given on.....

DOCUMENT CHECK LIST

Bride Groom

- Baptism certificate
- Confirmation certificate
- Declaration of freedom
- Letter of freedom
- If a minor – consent obtained?

Bride Groom

- Reception certificate
- Photocopy of Registrar’s Marriage Schedule
- Lay-led preparation certificate
- Documents relating to previous marriages

IF ANY ISSUES SHOULD ARISE AT ANY STAGE THROUGHOUT THE PREPARATION AND/OR COMPLETION OF THIS PAPERWORK, PLEASE CONTACT THE CHANCERY IMMEDIATELY.

See guidance notes for specific forms

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

- Permission for a Mixed Marriage
- Dispensation for a Disparity of Cult
- Dispensation from Canonical Form
- Permission for Sanation
- Nullity due to lack of Canonical Form
- Permission for Convalidation

	BRIDE	GROOM
Surname (in full)		
Forenames		
Present address		
How long resident there?		
Email		
Telephone (Home / Mobile)		
Parish of residence		
Date of birth		
Place of birth		
Age on the day of the wedding		

	BRIDE	GROOM
Date of Baptism		
Church of Baptism and that church's address		
Date of Confirmation		
Church of Confirmation and that church's address		
Date of Reception into Church (if applicable)		
Church of Reception and that church's address		
Present religion		
Occupation		
Father's name and occupation (Please indicate if retired or deceased)		
Mother's name and maiden name		

BRIDE

**Have you ever been through any form of Marriage?
eg Civil (or Civil Partnership), Religious, Tribal, Traditional, Custom?**

***YES / *NO**
*(*delete as appropriate)*
This must be answered

If 'YES' — please complete the questions in the section below
(for Convalidation please include details of the present civil marriage)
No previous marriage can be ignored – there is always a process required – unless dissolved by death

PREVIOUS MARRIAGE(S)	FIRST MARRIAGE <i>(if applicable)</i>		SECOND MARRIAGE <i>(if applicable)</i>	
To whom				
Their religion				
Was the marriage dissolved?	By Decree Absolute?	<i>If the answer is NO please go to Convalidation</i>	By Decree Absolute?	<i>If the answer is NO please go to Convalidation</i>
	By Decree of Nullity?		By Decree of Nullity?	
	By Lack of Form?		By Lack of Form?	
	By Death?		By Death?	

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Convalidation requested?	<i>If you are applying for permission to Convalidate an existing civil marriage, please enclose a copy of the pertinent marriage certificate</i>
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GROOM

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After an individual interview the BRIDE completes this page with a priest or deacon.	
How long have you known each other?	
How long have you been engaged?	
Do you intend your marriage to be a permanent and exclusive partnership of life and love which only death can dissolve?	
Do you intend your marriage to be an intimate union for the mutual welfare and support of both partners?	
Do you intend your marriage to be for the procreation of children? (This may be omitted if circumstances suggest)	
Do you intend to support the education and upbringing of the children in the Catholic Faith?	
Are you entering into this marriage freely, without pressure from others or circumstances?	
Do you give your consent freely and totally, without any hesitation or reservation?	
Have you entered into, or do you intend to enter into any formal or informal prenuptial agreement that sets out conditions that will apply should the marriage be civilly dissolved, or a separation agreed?	
<p>I DECLARE BEFORE GOD THAT, AFTER REFLECTING DEEPLY ON THE MEANING OF CHRISTIAN MARRIAGE I AM READY TO MARRY AND THAT I HAVE ANSWERED THE QUESTIONS ABOVE HONESTLY AND SINCERELY.</p> <p>Signed.....</p> <p>In the presence of(Priest/Deacon)</p> <p>Date.....</p>	

<p>IF ANY OF THE ANSWERS REQUIRE FURTHER EXPLANATION PLEASE ADD INFORMATION HERE:</p>
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MIXED MARRIAGES

**APPLICATIONS IN CASES OF MIXED RELIGION, DISPARITY OF CULT,
AND MARRIAGES OUTSIDE A CATHOLIC CHURCH**

PART I (to be read aloud and signed by the Catholic party)

I declare that I am ready to uphold my Catholic faith and to avoid all dangers of falling away from it.

Moreover, I sincerely undertake that I will do all that I can within the unity of our partnership to have all the children of our Marriage baptised and brought up in the Catholic Church.

Signed..... Date.....

The Catholic has read and signed or made verbally before me the above declaration and promise in the presence of the non-Catholic to whom they been have explained.

Signed..... Date.....
(Priest / Deacon)

PART II (to be signed by the non-Catholic party)

As a non-Catholic, I understand the fulfilment of these promises by my intended spouse, who is a Catholic, and I intend to support my future spouse’s fulfilment of them to the best of my endeavour.

Signed..... Date.....

Signed..... Date.....
(Priest / Deacon)

PART III (to be completed by a Priest or Deacon)

I declare that this couple have attended a lay led pre-marriage preparation course and have also discussed the obligations of their Marriage with me. All the above statements are true, and I request (please tick):

- PERMISSION FOR CONVALIDATION
- DISPENSATION FROM DISPARITY OF WORSHIP
- DISPENSATION FROM THE CANONICAL FORM
- PERMISSION FOR A MIXED MARRIAGE
- REQUEST FOR SANATION

so that.....

and.....

may validly and lawfully marry.

Signature of Priest / Deacon.....

Date.....

Permission:

When the marriage is arranged in a place where neither party has any of the residence qualification (Canon 1115)

For **lawfulness**, I, being the Ordinary / Parish Priest of

- Groom
- Bride

hereby grant permission for this marriage to take place outside of this Parish.

Signed: L + S

Date:

Delegation:

When the marriage is to take place before a priest who is not the Parish Priest or before a Deacon

For **validity**, in accordance with Canon 1111, I, being the Ordinary / Parish Priest, hereby delegate / sub-delegate the following priest/deacon,

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to officiate at this marriage taking place within the boundaries of this Parish.

Signed L + S

Date:

Optional Votum Note here (or attach on a separate sheet) any observations about the parties or the wedding ceremony that you consider important to mention

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Signed..... (Priest/Deacon)

Date.....

<p>Mixed Marriage: For lawfulness, in accordance with Canon 1124, I, the competent authority, hereby grant permission for the Catholic party to contract a sacramental marriage.</p> <p>Prot No: MR /</p> <p>Signed: L+S Vicar General / Chancellor / Parish Priest</p> <p>Given at</p> <p>on</p>	<p>Canonical Form: For validity, in accordance with Canon 1127 §2, I, being the Ordinary, hereby dispense the Catholic party from the Canonical Form of Marriage.</p> <p>Prot No: CFM /</p> <p>Signed: L + S Vicar General / Chancellor</p> <p>Given at Arundel</p> <p>on.....</p>
<p>Disparity of Worship: For validity, in accordance with Canon 1078 § 1, I, being the Ordinary, hereby dispense the Catholic party from the impediment arising from of Disparity of Cult.</p> <p>Prot No: DC /</p> <p>Signed: L + S Vicar General / Chancellor</p> <p>Given at Arundel</p> <p>on.....</p>	<p>Convalidation: In accordance with Canons 1156-1160, I, being the Ordinary, hereby grant permission for the simple validation of the lawful marriage of the above-named parties</p> <p>Prot No: NT /</p> <p>Signed: L + S Vicar General / Chancellor</p> <p>Given at Arundel</p> <p>on.....</p>
<p>Other Impediment: For validity, in accordance with Canon 1078, I, being the Ordinary, hereby dispense the person/s named from the impediment(s) of:</p> <p>Prot No: /</p> <p>Signed: L + S Bishop / Vicar General / Chancellor</p> <p>Given at Arundel</p> <p>on.....</p>	<p>Visum:</p> <p>Prot No: V /</p> <p>Signed: L + S Vicar General / Chancellor</p> <p>Given at Arundel</p> <p>on.....</p>

For the use of the Curial office, when the marriage is taking place outside the Diocese including marriages abroad.

Litterae Testimoniales

Visis documentis hisce alligatis, testamur

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et

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Prot No: **LT** /

Nomen:

Vicarius Generalis / Cancellarius

Datum ARUNDELLIÆ

Die.....

L + S

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Nihil Obstat / Exsequatur:

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Prot No: **NO** /

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