



DIOCESE OF MIDDLESBROUGH

Pre-Nuptial Enquiry Form

To be used for **ALL** marriages
PLEASE **PRINT** THROUGHOUT

Parish: _____

Marriage between

_____ and _____
Bride Groom

Date of marriage: _____ Time: _____

Place of marriage: _____

Nuptial Mass: YES / NO

Name & address of celebrant :

Document check list

Catholic party/parties

Bride Groom

- | | | |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Baptismal certificate
(up to date) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Confirmation certificate |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Letters of freedom |

Non Catholic party

Bride Groom

- | | | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Baptismal certificate
(where applicable) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Letters of freedom |

MIXED MARRIAGES

Applications in cases of mixed religion, disparity of worship & marriages outside a Catholic church

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 (Catholic party): _____ Date: _____

The Catholic has read and signed the above declaration and promise in the presence of the non-Catholic party to whom they have been explained. In my opinion the non-Catholic will not oppose the fulfilment of the above declaration and promise in such a way as to make them meaningless.

The four required instructions have been given or a pre-marriage course has been attended.

Signed (priest) : _____ Date: _____

I declare that all the above statements are true and I request:

Permission for mixed marriage

This permission can be given by the Parish Priest of the Catholic party:

Signed: _____ Print name: _____ Date: _____

Dispensation from disparity of worship

Dispensation from canonical form (for place of marriage)

Permission for sanation

Permission for convalidation

Nullity due to lack of canonical form

NOTES:

1. It is the duty of the priest to explain the meaning of Christian marriage and its obligations, its unity and its indissolubility. The priest should also satisfy himself that the person is entering the marriage freely and without attaching any conditions to the consent.
2. In Lack of Form cases **no date should be set until the Declaration of Freedom is received** from the Chancery.
3. **All convalidations** should be referred to the Chancery with a copy of the civil marriage certificate.
4. Bride & groom are normally to be **interviewed separately**.
5. Where a person wishing to marry a Catholic but not of the Latin Rite, reference should always be made to the Chancery before arrangements are made for the wedding.
6. If a previous marriage partner has died, a death certificate should be attached to this form. If a previous marriage has been dissolved in any other way, this form, together with all other supporting documents should be sent to the Chancery for permission to proceed.
7. After the marriage, the priest/deacon should see to it that a notification of the celebration of this marriage is sent to the church of baptism of the Catholic party/parties.
8. This marriage dossier is to be carefully preserved in the archives of the parish where the marriage is celebrated, except in the case of Dispensations from Canonical Form (non-Catholic church) marriages, where it is to be kept in the parish of the priest/deacon applying for the dispensation.
9. Publication of Banns of marriage is to be arranged in the home parishes and in the parishes of the present residence of both bride and groom. Where there is doubt about a person being free to marry, the priest should make whatever enquiries are possible.

10. A **photocopy** of **all documents** should be taken **before** sending them to the Chancery.

BRIDE

Name in full	
Present address	
How long resident there?	
Email	
Telephone	
Parish	
Date & place of birth	
Date & church of Baptism	
Date & church of Confirmation	
Father's name & occupation	
Mother's maiden name	
Details of previous marriage	
Are you related to your fiancée by blood or marriage?	
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 open to procreation and the education of children?	
Are you under any kind of pressure to marry?	
Do you give your free consent to this marriage without any reservations?	
Have you entered into or are you intending to enter into any pre-nuptial agreement that sets out conditions that will apply should the marriage be civilly dissolved or a separation agreed?	

I declare before God that the information I have given is true

Signed: _____ Date: _____

In my presence (priest): _____ Date: _____

GROOM

Name in full	
Present address	
How long resident there?	
Email	
Telephone	
Parish	
Date & place of birth	
Date & church of Baptism	
Date & church of Confirmation	
Father's name & occupation	
Mother's maiden name	
Details of previous marriage	
Are you related to your fiancée by blood or marriage?	
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 open to procreation and the education of children?	
Are you under any kind of pressure to marry?	
Do you give your free consent to this marriage without any reservations?	
Have you or are you intending to enter into any pre-nuptial agreement that sets out conditions that will apply should the marriage be civilly dissolved or a separation agreed?	

I declare before God that the information I have given is true

Signed: _____ Date: _____

In my presence (priest): _____ Date: _____

AFTER interviewing the couple the priest/deacon should complete the following:

What form of preparation has this couple received?
In your opinion are the parties ready for marriage?
Are you satisfied that each is entering the marriage of his/her own free will?
Are you aware of any impediments to this marriage?
Any further comments:
Signature of priest/deacon:
Date:

DELEGATION of Canon 1108 *when the marriage is to take place before a priest who is neither the Parish Priest nor an assistant priest in the parish or to take place before a deacon*

I hereby delegate/sub delegate _____ to officiate at the above marriage within the boundaries of this parish

Signature:	Parish/Assistant Priest
Date:	Parish of:

PERMISSION of Canon 1115 *to be given ONLY by the Parish Priest when the marriage is to take place outside the parishes of the two parties*

I, the undersigned, being the Parish Priest of the Bride / Groom, hereby give permission for this marriage to take place outside the boundaries of my parish

Signature:	Date:
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LITTERAE TESTIMONIALES

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	Cancellarius/Vice Cancellarius
Datum:	Locum:

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	Cancellarius/Vice Cancellarius
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