

Form A

Diocese of Stockton

QUESTIONNAIRE FOR THE BRIDE OR GROOM

(The parties should be interviewed separately.)

(The party having been advised of the sanctity of an oath, should be asked to repeat the following)
“I solemnly swear to tell the whole truth and nothing but the truth in answer to what I am about to be asked.”

Name (first/middle/last) _____

Address _____ City/State/Zip _____

Date of Birth _____ Place _____

Father’s Name _____ Religion _____

Mother’s Name (including maiden name) _____ Religion _____

Were you ever baptized? _____ Denomination of Baptism _____

Date _____ Church of baptism _____ City _____

If received into the full communion of the Catholic Church

Date _____ Church of reception _____ City/State _____

*(Catholics are to obtain a record, issued not more than six months previously, from their parish of baptism or reception,
Proof of a non-Catholic’s baptism also is desired if it can be obtained)*

What is your religion now? _____ Do you practice it? _____

THE FOLLOWING THREE QUESTIONS ARE ASKED OF CATHOLICS ONLY;

Has anyone in your family (parents, grandparents) been baptized in a ritual church other than the Roman/Latin Rite (e.g. Maronite, Ukranian, Chaldean etc.)? _____

(At least one of the parties must be a Catholic of the Latin Rite. If not, consult the Chancery for required delegation and permissions).

Confirmation? _____ If so, when and where _____

First Communion? _____ If so, when and where _____

Marital Status

Have you ever contracted or attempted marriage (even if civilly or by common law)? _____

If yes, how many times? _____ (for more than one prior or attempted marriage, include the following information on a separate sheet and attach)

To whom? _____ Date of marriage? _____

Where? _____ Before whom (Priest, Minister, Civil Official)? _____

Does this union still exist? _____ If not, how was it dissolved? _____
(civil annulment, divorce, death?)

If this marriage has been declared null by an Ecclesiastical Tribunal give:

Date of decree _____ Diocese and protocol number _____

Do you any obligations arising from justice or charity toward your former spouse(s) children? _____

If yes, are they being fulfilled? _____

Whom do you intend to marry? _____

Impediments (Canons 1083 - 1094) (The priest/delegate must be careful to ascertain whether or not impediments are present)

Disparity of Worship _____ Impotence _____ Age _____ Consanguinity _____ Affinity _____

Legal Relationship from Adoption _____ Public Propriety _____ Crime _____ Abduction _____

Perpetual Religious Vow _____ Ordination _____

Mixed Religion _____ (Promise must be signed by Catholic party)

Freedom

Are you being forced or pressured in any way by persons or circumstances to enter this marriage? (e.g. by pregnancy, parental pressure, etc.) If so, please explain _____

Have you at anytime experienced emotional or psychological difficulties which have required treatment? _____ If so, please explain: _____

Have you engaged in excessive use of alcohol, drugs or other forms of behavior which would affect this marriage? _____ If so, please explain _____

Intent

Are you placing any conditions on your marriage consent? _____

(If conditions have been formulated, note the details and refer it to the Marriage Tribunal)

Do you accept and intend to fulfill the following essential elements of marriage? _____

a) Do you intend to enter a permanent union which can be dissolved by death alone? _____

b) Do you intend to be faithful to your spouse? _____

c) Are you open to the possibility of having children? _____

Maturity/Readiness

How long have you been dating your intended spouse? _____

Have you discussed in depth the nature and obligations of marriage? _____

Do you and your intended spouse share similiar views of marriage? _____

Do your parents/siblings/friends support your decision to marry this person at this time? _____

If "no" please explain _____

Is there anything else that should be made known regarding this marriage? _____

Do you swear to the truth of your statements? _____

Date _____

PARISH SEAL

Name of Church

Signature of Bride/Groom

City - State

Signature of Pastor/Delegate

