

## The Questions Before the Consent

**N. and N., have you come here to enter into Marriage without coercion, freely and wholeheartedly?**

The bridegroom and bride each say:

I have.

The priest continues:

**Are you prepared, as you follow the path of Marriage, to love and honor each other for as long as you both shall live?**

The bridegroom and bride each say:

I am.

**Are you prepared to accept children lovingly from God and to bring them up according to the law of Christ and his Church?**

The bridegroom and bride each say:

I am.

## The Consent

The priest invites the couple to declare their consent:

**Since it is your intention to enter the covenant of Holy Matrimony, join your right hands and declare your consent before God and his Church**

They join their right hands.

The bridegroom says:

I, N., take you, N., to be my wife.  
I promise to be faithful to you,  
in good times and in bad,  
in sickness and in health,  
to love you and to honor you  
all the days of my life.

The bride says:

I, N., take you, N., to be my husband.  
I promise to be faithful to you,  
in good times and in bad,  
in sickness and in health,  
to love you and to honor you  
all the days of my life.

### **The Blessings and Giving of Rings**

The Priest says:

**May the Lord bless these rings, which you will give to each other as a sign of love and fidelity.**

**R.** Amen

He sprinkles the rings and gives them to the bride and bridegroom.

The husband places his wife's ring on her ring finger saying:

N., receive this ring  
as a sign of my love and fidelity.  
In the name of the Father, and of the Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit.

Likewise, the wife places her husband's ring on his ring finger saying:

N., receive this ring  
as a sign of my love and fidelity.  
In the name of the Father, and of the Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit.