Marriage Commitment

RITE OF MARRIAGE

Have you come here to enter into Marriage without coercion, freely and wholeheartedly?

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

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

MARRIAGE VOWS:

I, _____, take you, ____ to be my wife/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.

- 1. As I reflect on these words, what do I understand as the most important parts of the commitment that I am making in entering marriage?
- 2. What do I mean by being faithful in marriage? What are some ways of being unfaithful?
- 3. What rights and responsibilities am I assuming in becoming a married person?
- 4. Marriage demands committed love expressed in permanence, fidelity and openness to children. What does each mean to me? How do these qualities relate to God's love?
- 5. Do I intend to have children? What factors will go into our decision regarding children?
- 6. What are the moral differences between natural family planning and artificial means of birth control?
- 7. What is the relationship between married spirituality and sexuality? What does chastity in marriage mean to me?
- 8. What are some of the moral decisions that we may face as a married couple?
- 9. What are three things that we have going for us in developing a successful marriage?
- 10. What are three possible pitfalls?

Reminder: Marriage License

You must obtain a civil marriage license and bring it to your wedding rehearsal. A civil marriage license can be obtained from the Marriage License Division of the District Court. Note: In Kansas, there is a three day waiting period after application, and once issued, the license is valid for six months from the date of issuance. More information can be found at:

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