

# **Declaration Of Consent**

There are four version of the Declaration of Consent  
( the exchange of vows between the bride and groom)

**Priest:** I invite you then to declare before God and his Church your consent to become husband and wife.

*The Bride and Groom turn to face towards each other, and join hands.*

## **Option 1:**

**Groom:** (Bride), do you consent to be my wife?

**Bride:** I do. Do you (Groom) consent to be my husband?

**Groom:** I do.

**Groom:** I take you as my wife and I give myself to you as your husband –

**Bride:** I take you as my husband and I give myself to you as your wife –

*Joining hands, they say together:*

**Both:** – to love each other truly

for better, for worse,

for richer, for poorer,

in sickness and in health,

till death do us part.

**(or all the days of our life)**

*When (Bride) and (Groom) have given their consent, the priest says:*

**Priest:** What God joins together man must not separate. May the Lord confirm the consent you have given and enrich you with his blessings.

## Option 2:

**Groom:** I, (Groom) take you (Bride) as my wife,  
for better, for worse,  
for richer, for poorer,  
in sickness and in health,  
till death do us part.  
(or all the days of our life)

*The bride says:*

**Bride:** I, (Bride) take you (Groom) as my husband,  
for better, for worse,  
for richer, for poorer,  
in sickness and in health,  
till death do us part.  
(or all the days of our life)

**Priest:** What God joins together man must not separate. May the Lord confirm the consent you have given and enrich you with his blessings.

### **Option 3:**

**Priest:** (Groom) do you take (Bride) as your wife,  
for better for worse,  
for richer for poorer,  
in sickness and in health,  
till death do you part?  
(or all the days of your life?)

**Groom: I do.**

**Priest:** (Bride) do you take (Groom) as your husband,  
for better for worse,  
for richer for poorer,  
in sickness and in health,  
till death do you part?  
(or all the days of your life?)

**Bride: I do.**

**Priest:** What God joins together man must not separate. May the Lord confirm the consent you have given and enrich you with his blessings.

## **Option 4:**

**Groom:** (Bride), do you consent to be my wife?

**Bride:** I do. Do you (Groom) consent to be my husband?

**Groom:** I do.

*Joining hands, they say together:*

**Both:** We take each other as husband and wife and promise to love each other truly

for better, for worse, for richer, for poorer,

in sickness and in health, till death do us part.

**(or all the days of our life)**

**Priest:** The Lord has joined you together. May he fulfil his blessing in you; may he keep you in his love.