

Marriage Ritual within Mass of the Day

OCM # 34:

Whenever Marriage is celebrated within Mass...on those days listed in nos. 1-4 of the Table of Liturgical Days...the Mass of the Day is used with its own readings, with inclusion of the Nuptial Blessing and, if appropriate, the proper [OCM] formula for the final blessing.

If, however, during Christmas and Ordinary Time, the parish community participates in a Sunday Mass during which Marriage is celebrated, the Mass of the Sunday is used.

Nevertheless, since a Liturgy of the Word adapted for the celebration of Marriage has a great impact in the handing on of catechesis about the Sacrament itself and about the duties of the spouses, when the Mass “For the Celebration of Marriage” is not said, one of the readings may be taken from the texts provided for the celebration of Marriage.

	FOR EXAMPLE, Marriage on the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Vestments	White
Collect	Immaculate Conception
First Reading	Lectionary: Immaculate Conception or OCM
Psalm	Lectionary: Immaculate Conception or OCM (if not already selected)
Second Reading	Lectionary: Immaculate Conception or OCM (if not already selected)
Gospel Acclamation	Lectionary: Immaculate Conception
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Marriage Ritual	Address to the Couple Questions before Consent Consent Reception of Consent Assembly Acclamation Blessing & Giving of Rings [Blessing & Giving of Arras] <i>[Blessing & Placing of Lazo/Veil – optional ordering, see below]</i> [Hymn/Canticle of Praise] Universal Prayer
Creed	<i>[This is not an error. The Creed follows the Universal Prayer in a Wedding Within the Mass of the Day.]</i>
Prayer over the Offerings	Immaculate Conception
Preface	Immaculate Conception
Eucharistic Prayer	<i>[No Commemoration of the Couple in EPs]</i>
	[Blessing & Placing of Lazo/Veil, unless done earlier]
Lord’s Prayer	<i>[“Deliver us, O Lord...” is omitted]</i>
Nuptial Blessing	OCM
Prayer after Communion	Immaculate Conception
Final Blessing	Immaculate Conception, or if appropriate, OCM