

DIOCESE OF LA CROSSE

PRENUPTIAL QUESTIONNAIRE

Please print or type all information. This form is to be kept in the parish marriage file.

PLEASE COMPLETE

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| Groom _____ | Bride _____ | | | |
| Date of Marriage _____ | Time _____ | | | |
| Church & Place of Marriage _____ | Celebrant _____ | | | |
| Witness 1 _____ | Witness 2 _____ | | | |
| Notification to Parish of Baptism of Groom | <input type="checkbox"/> Sent | <input type="checkbox"/> Acknowledged | <input type="checkbox"/> Unbaptized | <input type="checkbox"/> Parish of Baptism is Parish of Marriage |
| Notification to Parish of Baptism of Bride | <input type="checkbox"/> Sent | <input type="checkbox"/> Acknowledged | <input type="checkbox"/> Unbaptized | <input type="checkbox"/> Parish of Baptism is Parish of Marriage |

DELEGATION

(Canons 137 §3 and 1111 §§1-2)

I, the undersigned pastor / parochial vicar / deacon, hereby grant to _____
Name of Delegated Priest or Deacon

the faculty to assist within the limits of my parish at the marriage designated above.

Signature of Priest / Parochial Vicar / Deacon

Date

IF THE DELEGATED PRIEST OR DEACON IS FROM ANOTHER DIOCESE, PLEASE ENSURE THAT A LETTER OF SUITABILITY IS SENT TO THE DIOCESE OF LA CROSSE BEFORE THE MARRIAGE IS WITNESSED.

FOR CHANCERY USE ONLY

Visum Est

Nihil Obstat

FOR THE GROOM

NOTE WELL: TO BE QUESTIONED ALONE AND UNDER OATH AND FILLED OUT BY THE INTERVIEWER

OATH: Having God as your witness, do you solemnly swear to tell the truth in answer to the following questions? _____
Groom's Initials

Name _____
First Middle Last Suffix

Address _____
Street Address

_____ **Primary Tel.** _____ H C
City State ZIP

E-Mail _____ **Work Tel.** _____ **Ext.** _____

Date of Birth _____ **Place of Birth** _____
Month-Day-Year City, State, Country (if outside the USA)

Father's Name _____
First Middle Last Suffix

Father Living Deceased **Year of death** _____ **Father's Religion** _____

Mother's Name _____
First Middle Last * Maiden *

Mother Living Deceased **Year of death** _____ **Mother's Religion** _____

Have you been baptized?

Yes No **Denomination** _____ **Date of Baptism** _____
Month-Day-Year

Church of Baptism _____ **Place of Baptism** _____
Name of Church City, State, Country (if outside the USA)

TO BE ASKED OF THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN RECEIVED INTO FULL COMMUNION WITH THE CATHOLIC CHURCH AFTER BAPTISM:

Date of Reception into Full Communion _____ **In what Church?** _____
Month-Day-Year Name of Church

Place of Church _____
City, State, Country (if outside the USA)

TO BE ASKED OF ALL WHO ARE OR HAVE BEEN CATHOLIC BY BAPTISM OR PROFESSION OF FAITH:

Are you a member of the Latin Church of the Catholic Church? Yes No

If **no**, of what Church *sui iuris* are you a member? _____
e.g., Ruthenian Byzantine, Ukrainian Greek, Melkite Greek, etc.

Have you received the Sacrament of Confirmation?

Yes No If **yes**, date of Confirmation _____
Month-Day-Year

If **yes**, Church of Confirmation _____ **Place** _____
Name of Church City, State, Country (if outside the USA)

Have you received First Holy Communion?

Yes No If **yes**, date of First Communion _____
Month-Day-Year

If **yes**, Church of First Communion _____ **Place** _____
Name of Church City, State, Country (if outside the USA)

Have you ever FORMALLY left the Roman Catholic Church? Yes No

If yes, please give an explanation and the date it occurred: _____

What faith are you now practicing? _____

To what parish do you now belong? _____
Parish Name City, State

Have you ever been ordained to the diaconate or the priesthood? Yes No

If yes, have you been dispensed from the obligations of Sacred Orders and celibacy? Yes No

PLEASE NOTE: An authentic copy of the rescript(s) granting the dispensations is to be presented to the person preparing the couple for marriage. The copy of the rescript(s) and this Prenuptial Questionnaire are to be forwarded to the Chancellor for the nihil obstat.

Have you ever made a public perpetual vow of chastity in a religious institute? Yes No

If yes, have you been dispensed from the obligation of the vow? Yes No

PLEASE NOTE: An authentic copy of the indult of secularization is to be presented to the person preparing the couple for marriage. The copy of the indult of secularization and this Prenuptial Questionnaire are to be forwarded to the Chancellor for the nihil obstat.

Have you ever been married or attempted marriage? Yes No If yes, how many times? _____

If yes, please give the following information about each marriage, including the current marriage if this is a convalidation. For additional marriages, please give the information requested below on a separate sheet and attach it to this page.

FIRST MARRIAGE

SECOND MARRIAGE

A. With whom? _____
B. Her religion? _____
C. When? _____
D. Where? _____
E. Who officiated? (priest, deacon, minister, rabbi, civil official, or similar) _____

F. Is this former spouse still living? Yes No Yes No

PLEASE NOTE: If a former spouse has died, an authentic copy of the death certificate is to be presented to the person preparing the couple for marriage.

G. Has the Church declared the marriage null? Yes No Yes No

PLEASE NOTE: If a prior marriage has been declared null by the Church, an authentic copy of the declaration of nullity is to be presented to person preparing the couple for marriage. The copy of the declaration of nullity and this Prenuptial Questionnaire are to be forwarded to the Chancellor for the nihil obstat.

H. Do obligations remain? (cf. Can. 1071, §1, 3º) Yes No Yes No

PLEASE NOTE: The priest, deacon, or pastoral associate is to make certain that natural obligations to a former spouse and children arising from a previous union are being fulfilled faithfully

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Are you related to your fiancée by blood, adoption, or marriage? (cf. Canons 1091, 1092, 1094) Yes No

If yes, how so? _____

Were you ever married to or cohabiting with the mother or daughter of your fiancée? (cf. Can. 1093) Yes No

If yes, explain _____

How long have you been going out with your fiancée? _____ How long engaged? _____

Do you understand the nature of marriage? Yes No

Do you agree without condition:

To enter a marriage that is for life? Yes No

To be faithful to your spouse for as long as she lives? Yes No

To give your spouse the right to non-contraceptive intercourse? Yes No

Do you have any reason to believe that you may be sexually impotent? (cf. Can. 1084) Yes No

If yes, why? _____

Are you suffering from any psychological condition which may affect your capacity to consent to marriage? (cf. Can.1095) Yes No

If yes, how? _____

Do you feel forced in any way, by any person or circumstances, to enter this marriage? (cf. Canons 1089, 1103) Yes No

If yes, how so? _____

Is there anything else which you wish to make known regarding this marriage? Yes No

If yes, what? _____

Signature of the Groom _____ Date _____

The interviewer is to check one of the following:

I am morally certain of the freedom of the groom to enter this marriage and do hereby so attest.

Since I personally do not have moral certitude of the freedom of the groom to enter this marriage, I hereby attach the testimony of a reliable and competent witness (Form M-B).

I, the undersigned, declare that the person whose signature is affixed above appeared before me personally; that I asked her the above questions under oath and personally recorded the answers given; that she was interviewed separately; that no one else was present during the questioning; that I am satisfied as to the identity of the party; that I have on file all necessary documents; and that the parties have been instructed in accord with the law of the Church.

Signature of the Interviewer _____ Date _____
Interviewer Month-Day-Year

Parish _____ Place _____
Name City, State

Please affix the parish seal

FOR THE BRIDE

NOTE WELL: TO BE QUESTIONED ALONE AND UNDER OATH AND FILLED OUT BY THE INTERVIEWER

OATH: Having God as your witness, do you solemnly swear to tell the truth in answer to the following questions? _____
Bride's Initials

Name _____
First Middle * Last/Maiden * * Maiden, If Different *

Address _____
Street Address
City State ZIP **Primary Tel.** _____ H C

E-Mail _____ **Work Tel.** _____ **Ext.** _____

Date of Birth _____ **Place of Birth** _____
Month-Day-Year City, State, Country (if outside the USA)

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Signature of the Bride _____ Date _____
Bride Month-Day-Year

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I am morally certain of the freedom of the bride to enter this marriage and do hereby so attest.

Since I personally do not have moral certitude of the freedom of the bride to enter this marriage, I hereby attach the testimony of a reliable and competent witness (Form M-B).

I, the undersigned, declare that the person whose signature is affixed above appeared before me personally; that I asked her the above questions under oath and personally recorded the answers given; that she was interviewed separately; that no one else was present during the questioning; that I am satisfied as to the identity of the party; that I have on file all necessary documents; and that the parties have been instructed in accord with the law of the Church.

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Parish _____ Place _____
Name City, State

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