

MARRIAGE DISPENSATION / PERMISSION FORM

Name of Bride: _____
Baptismal Status: [] Catholic; [] Baptized non-Catholic; [] Non-baptized
City/County/State of Residence: _____

Name of Groom: _____
Baptismal Status: [] Catholic; [] Baptized non-Catholic; [] Non-baptized
City/County/State of Residence: _____

Note: If the Catholic party does not reside within the Diocese of Grand Rapids and the wedding is not taking place in the Diocese, contact the chancery.

Place of Wedding: _____

Date of Wedding: _____

The prenuptial declaration and promise have been obtained: [] Yes; [] No

REQUEST FOR DISPENSATION FROM CANONICAL FORM
(for validity)

This request must be submitted to the chancery office one month prior to the date of the wedding. The request must be granted by the diocese where the Catholic party resides. The dispensation is not granted for two Catholics to marry without canonical form. After the wedding has taken place, the priest is to record the wedding in the marriage sacramental record book of his parish and send notifications to the baptismal record of the Catholic party and to the chancery office as noted below.

The reasons for requesting this dispensation are:

- To achieve family harmony or avoid family alienation
To obtain parental agreement to the marriage
To recognize significant claims of relationship or friendship with the non-Catholic minister
To permit the marriage in a Church that has particular importance to the non-Catholic
Other (specify) _____

Name of Officiant of Wedding:

I hereby request from the local ordinary a DISPENSATION FROM CANONICAL FORM for the Catholic party listed on this form so that he/she may validly marry in a non-Catholic ceremony.

Requesting Priest's Signature: _____

Parish/City:

Chancery Use Only: Granted by: _____ Date granted: _____ Protocol*

[] Check here after the wedding takes place and return a copy of this form to the chancery.

GRANTING OF PERMISSION FOR MIXED RELIGION

I hereby grant the Catholic party listed on the other side of this form permission to enter a marriage of MIXED RELIGION, that is, between a Catholic and a baptized member of another Christian Church. The reasons for this permission are:

- The spiritual well being of the parties
- To achieve family or religious harmony
- For good will among the Christian communities
- Convalidation of an existing union
- Other (specify) _____

Date: _____ Priest's Signature: _____

Parish/City: _____

GRANTING OF DISPENSATION FROM DISPARITY OF WORSHIP
(for validity)

hereby grant the Catholic party listed on the other side of this form the following dispensation:

- DISPARITY OF WORSHIP
A dispensation for a mixed marriage so that a Catholic party may validly marry a non-baptized person
- DISPARITY OF WORSHIP AD CAUTELAM (as a precaution)
A precautionary dispensation for a mixed marriage so that a Catholic party may validly marry a doubtfully baptized member of another Christian Church or when documentary proof of that baptism is unavailable

The reasons for this dispensation are:

- The spiritual well being of the parties
- To achieve family or religious harmony
- For good will among the Christian communities
- Convalidation of an existing union
- Other (specify) _____

Date: _____ Priest's Signature: _____

Parish/City: _____

NB: Make a copy of both sides of this form and send to the Chancery Office

*Make sure top half of other side has been completed
This form remains part of the marriage file*