## Marriage Ceremony

Party 1 Name

&

Party 2 Name

**Date of Ceremony** 

Venue

Time

Good afternoon family and friends, for those who can, please be upstanding.

Processional Music

On behalf of **Party 1 Name** & **Party 2 Name** I am very pleased to welcome you to **Venue** this afternoon and to share with you in the celebration of their marriage.

Who Gives **Party 2 Name** in Marriage to **Party 1 Name**? ..... says 'I Do' (Optional)

Would you please be seated .....

I now like to invite...... forward who will deliver some words of welcome on behalf of the bride and groom.

Welcome 1 or Welcome 2 to be read by family member. (Optional)

I invite ..... to read, our 1st Reading, name of reading - (Optional)

I am a Registrar of Marriages for the District of Fermanagh and Omagh, and as such, I am authorised to conduct Civil Marriages.

Party 1 Name & Party 2 Name, you are now about to marry each other in accordance with the law, in my presence and in the presence of your family and friends. Before you are joined in marriage, it is my duty to remind you Both of the solemn and binding character of the contract/vows you are about to make together. Marriage according to the law of this country is the union of two people, voluntarily entered into, to the exclusion of all others.

At this part of the ceremony, I now invite Party 1 and Party 2 to declare that they are free to marry.

Registrar to **Party 1 Name**: Will you please repeat after me the following Declaration?

I do solemnly declare, that I know not, of any lawful impediment, why I **Party 1 Full Name** may not be joined in marriage, to **Party 2 Full Name**.

Registrar to **Party 2 Name**: Will you please repeat after me the following Declaration?

I do solemnly declare, that I know not, of any lawful impediment, why I **Party 2 Full Name** may not be joined in marriage to **Party 1 Full Name**.

Party 1 and Party 2 will now make their marriage vows. Please face each other and if you wish hold hands.

You may add in your personal vows at this stage. (Optional)

Party 1 Name Repeats: - I call upon our Family & Friends, here present, to witness that I Party 1 Name take you Party 2 Name to be my Husband/Wife. To laugh with you in joy, to comfort you in sorrow, to grow with you in love, to cherish & respect you, as long as we both shall live.

Party 2 Name Repeats: - I call upon our Family & Friends, here present, to witness that I Party 2 Name take you Party 1 Name to be my Husband/Wife. To laugh with you in joy, to comfort you in sorrow, to grow with you in love, to cherish & respect you, as long as we both shall live.

Party 1 and Party 2 will make their promises to each other.

Registrar to Party 1 Name - Do you solemnly promise, that you will always protect Party 2 Name, with your utmost care. That you will honour and cherish him/her, in sickness and in health, for richer or for poorer and that in all things, you will be to him/her a faithful and loving Husband/Wife?

Response by Party 1 Name: 'I Do'

Registrar to **Party 2 Name** – Do you solemnly promise, that you will always protect **Party 1 Name**, with your utmost care. That you will honour and cherish **him/her**, in sickness and in health, for richer or for poorer and that in all things, you will be to **him/her** a faithful and loving **Husband/Wife**?

Response by Party 2 Name: 'I Do'

Party 1 and Party 2 will now exchange rings, which is the traditional way of sealing the commitment they have both just made.

I invite ....... forward to present the ring/s.

RING: Party 1 Name/Party 2 Name I give you this ring, as a symbol, of the unbroken circle, of my love, a love freely given, that has no beginning and no end. May this ring always remind you, of the vows and promises we have made here today.

Registrar: By virtue of these declarations, made in my presence as a Registrar of Marriages and before these witnesses, I declare that you are now joined in matrimony in accordance with the law.

Party 1 and Party 2 you may now kiss. (Optional)

I invite ...... To read our final reading, name of reading – (Optional)

## SIGNING OF THE MARRIAGE SCHEDULE (Background Music) Once the couple stand ready to make their way down the aisle.

Registrar - Congratulations to Party 1 and Party 2 and best wishes for your future together. I hope you all have a wonderful day of celebrations, please stand as Party 1 and Party 2 make their way down the aisle.

## **Recessional Music**