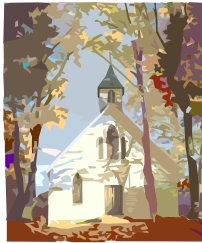


**St Andrew's Church, Farlington
or
Church of the Resurrection, Drayton**



***The Marriage
Of
John and Mary***

1st June 2003 at 2.00pm

9 Introduction

Entrance Music *'The Arrival of the Queen of Sheba' by Handel*

The Welcome

Hymn

Praise my soul, the King of Heaven: to his feet thy tribute bring.
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, who like me his praise should
sing?

Praise him! Praise him! Praise the everlasting King.

Praise him for his grace and favour to our fathers in distress;
Praise him still the same for ever, slow to chide, and swift to bless.
Praise him! Praise him! Glorious in his faithfulness.

Father-like, he tends and spares us; well our feeble frame he knows;
In his hands he gently bears us, rescues us from all our foes.
Praise him! Praise him! Widely as his mercy flows.

Angels, help us to adore him; ye behold him face to face;
Sun and moon, bow down before him; dwellers all in time and space.
Praise him! Praise him! Praise with us the God of grace.

Preface

The Declarations

The minister will say to the congregation

Will you, the families and friends of J and M, (*insert your names*) support and uphold them in their marriage now and in the years to come?

All **We will.**

Readings

The Art of Marriage, Anon. read by Joe Bloggs

John 2:1-4 read by Jane Bloggs

Address

Hymn

Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us o'er the world's tempestuous sea:
Guard us, guide us, keep us, feed us, for we have no help but thee:
Yet possessing every blessing, if our God our Father be.

Saviour, breathe forgiveness o'er us; all our weakness thou dost know;
Thou didst tread the earth before us, thou didst feel its keenest
woe;
Lone and dreary, faint and weary, through the desert thou didst go.

Spirit of our God, descending, fill our hearts with heavenly joy,
Love with every passion blending, pleasure that can never cloy;
Thus provided, pardoned, guided, nothing can our peace destroy.

9 The Marriage

The Vows

The Giving of Rings

The Proclamation

The Blessing of the Marriage

Hymn

Love divine, all loves excelling, joy of heaven, to earth come down,
Fix in us thy humble dwelling, all thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesu, thou art all compassion, pure unbounded love thou art;
Visit us with thy salvation, enter every trembling heart.

Come, almighty to deliver, let us all thy grace receive;
Suddenly return, and never, never more thy temple leave.
Thee we would be always blessing, serve thee as thy host above;
Pray, and praise thee, without ceasing, glory in thy perfect love.

Finish then thy new creation: pure and spotless let us be;
Let us see thy great salvation, perfectly restored in thee;
Changed from glory into glory, till in heaven we take our place,
Till we cast our crowns before thee, lost in wonder, love and praise.

Registration of the Marriage

During which the Choir sing 'Far Far Away'

Prayers

Please join in when this response is used:

Lord of life and love
All **hear our prayer.**

The prayers conclude with everyone joining in the Lord's Prayer:

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name;
Your kingdom come, your will be done; on earth
as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread, and forgive us our
sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us
from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are
yours, now and forever. Amen.**

The Dismissal

Recessional Music

*'Wedding March from Midsummer Night's Dream':
by Mendelssohn*