



## Catholic Parish of Forster-Tuncurry

### Pre-Marriage Inquiry Form

FOR A MARRIAGE TO BE CELEBRATED BETWEEN		
<b>Groom</b>		
<b>Bride</b>		
<b>Where</b>	<i>Church</i>	<i>Place</i>
<b>When</b>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>
<b>Priest/Deacon</b>		
<b>Two Witnesses</b>		
<b>Nuptial Mass</b>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>

THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS ARE INCLUDED	GROOM	BRIDE
<b>Birth Certificate <i>and/or</i> Passports</b>		
<b>Baptismal Certificate (<i>recent</i>)</b>		
<b>Confirmation Certificate</b>		
<b>Permission for a Mixed Marriage</b>		
<b>Dispensation from <input type="checkbox"/> Disparity of Worship, <input type="checkbox"/> Canonical Form, <input type="checkbox"/> Other</b>		
<b>Permission to Marry in a Place other than a Church</b>		
<b>Certificate of Pre-Marriage Course</b>		
<b>Statement of Convalidation or Sanation (<i>with Certificate of Civil Marriage</i>)</b>		
<b>Statement of Freedom to Marry</b>		
<i>For a previous marriage</i>		
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Full Certificate of Previous Marriage</b>		
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Death Certificate of Spouse</b>		
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Certificate of Civil Divorce</b>		
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Canonical Decree of Nullity or Dissolution</b>		

**NOTES**

All convalidations should be referred to the Chancery Office with full copy of the certificate of civil marriage.  
 In Lack of Form cases, no date should be set for the wedding until the statement of freedom to marry is received.  
 Where bride or groom is Catholic but not Latin Rite, contact the Chancery Office before making arrangements for the wedding.  
 After the marriage, the celebrant is responsible for sending notification of the marriage to the parish of baptism.  
 This marriage document is to be carefully preserved in the archives of the parish where the marriage is celebrated, along with supporting documents, except in the case of a Dispensation from Canonical Form where papers are to be kept in the Chancery Office.

## THE GROOM

<b>THE GROOM</b>		
<b>Family Name</b>		
<b>Given Name</b>		
<b>Street Address</b>		
<b>Email</b>		
<b>Phone Numbers</b>		
<b>Birth</b>	<i>Place</i>	<i>Date</i>
<b>Father's Name</b>		
<b>Mother's Name</b>	<i>(Maiden Name)</i>	
<b>Your Religion</b>		
<b>Parish</b>		<i>Resident for.....years.....months</i>
<b>Baptism</b>	<i>Place</i>	<i>Date</i>
<b>Confirmation</b>	<i>Place</i>	<i>Date</i>

PREVIOUS MARRIAGE: Have you ever been through a civil marriage, civil partnership, religious, tribal, traditional, custom?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes – <i>please complete this section</i> <input type="checkbox"/> No – <i>please skip this section</i>
Former partner's full name	
Former partner's religion	<i>Baptised?</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Former partner's baptism	<i>Place</i> <span style="margin-left: 100px;"><i>Date</i></span>
Former marriage	<i>Place</i> <span style="margin-left: 100px;"><i>Date</i></span>
Was the marriage dissolved?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Former partner's death	<i>Place</i> <span style="margin-left: 100px;"><i>Date</i></span>
Certificate if divorce	<i>Place</i> <span style="margin-left: 100px;"><i>Date</i></span>
Canonical Decree of Nullity/Lack of Form	
Are you seeking to convalidate this marriage?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
<i>Please supply documentation of marriage, partner's death, civil divorce or nullity.</i>	

Have you come here intending to enter marriage without coercion, freely and wholeheartedly?	
Are you prepared, as you follow the path of marriage, to love and honour each other for as long as you both shall live?	
Are you prepared to accept children lovingly from God and bring them up <input type="checkbox"/> according to God's law or <input type="checkbox"/> according the law of Christ and his Church?	

<b>I SOLEMNLY DECLARE THAT THE INFORMATION I HAVE GIVEN IS TRUE</b>	
For the purpose of recording sacraments under church law, I consent to the disclosure of personal information to an overseas parish when necessary. I acknowledge and agree that by providing consent, Australian Privacy Principle 8.1 does not apply and the diocese does not have to take responsible steps to ensure that information is treated in accordance with the Privacy Act.	
<i>Signature</i>	<i>Date</i>
<i>Signed in my presence (Priest or deacon)</i>	
<i>Name</i>	<i>Signature</i>

## ***THE BRIDE***

<b><i>THE BRIDE</i></b>		
<b>Family Name</b>		
<b>Given Name</b>		
<b>Street Address</b>		
<b>Email</b>		
<b>Phone Numbers</b>		
<b>Birth</b>	<i>Place</i>	<i>Date</i>
<b>Father's Name</b>		
<b>Mother's Name</b>	<i>(Maiden Name)</i>	
<b>Your Religion</b>		
<b>Parish</b>		<i>Resident for.....years.....months</i>
<b>Baptism</b>	<i>Place</i>	<i>Date</i>
<b>Confirmation</b>	<i>Place</i>	<i>Date</i>

<p>PREVIOUS MARRIAGE: Have you ever been through a civil marriage, civil partnership, religious, tribal, traditional, custom?</p> <p>Former partner's full name</p> <p>Former partner's religion</p> <p>Former partner's baptism</p> <p>Former marriage</p> <p>Was the marriage dissolved?</p> <p>Former partner's death</p> <p>Certificate if divorce</p> <p>Canonical Decree of Nullity/Lack of Form</p> <p>Are you seeking to convalidate this marriage?</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes – <i>please complete this section</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> No – <i>please skip this section</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Baptised?</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p><i>Place</i> <span style="float: right;"><i>Date</i></span></p> <p><i>Place</i> <span style="float: right;"><i>Date</i></span></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p><i>Place</i> <span style="float: right;"><i>Date</i></span></p> <p><i>Place</i> <span style="float: right;"><i>Date</i></span></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p>
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<i>Signature</i>	<i>Date</i>
<i>Signed in my presence (Priest or deacon)</i>	
<i>Name</i>	<i>Signature</i>

**Application for Permission for a Mixed Marriage**

**Application for Dispensation from the Impediment of Disparity of Worship**

<i>These questions are to be asked by the Priest/Deacon and answered by the Catholic Partner</i>	
Do you reaffirm your faith in Jesus Christ and, with God's help, intend to live that faith in the Catholic Church?	
Do you sincerely promise to do all in your power to share your faith with your children by having them baptised and brought up in the Catholic Church?	
Has your partner been informed of your declaration and promise?	
<i>I declare that these questions have been fully explained to me by the Priest/Deacon and that the answers I have given are true. I now make this application to marry my intended partner according to the law of the Catholic Church.</i>	
<i>Signature (Catholic partner)</i>	<i>Date</i>

TO BE COMPLETED BY PRIEST OR DEACON	
Has the Catholic partner a domicile or quasi-domicile in this diocese or is this person actually present in the diocese?	
Is there any impediment to this marriage other than Disparity of Worship? If so, which?	
Have both partners been instructed about the purpose and essential properties of marriage?	
Do you consider the granting of this application would contribute to the spiritual welfare of the Catholic partner?	
Have you any comments to make regarding this application?	
<i>I support the request of the applicant whose declaration and promise I have witnessed.</i>	
<i>Signature</i>	<i>Date</i>

TO BE COMPLETED IN CASES OF RETROACTIVE VALIDATION	
<i>Convalidation is regarded as an actual marriage and implies that the couple was not married beforehand. It will often be better to seek a retroactive validation or sanatio which recognises the invalid marriage as having been valid. In this case, no ceremony of renewal of consent is required, though the pastor may celebrate an appropriate liturgy with them. This Pre-Marriage Inquiry Form is to be filled out as fully as possible.</i>	
Where and when the invalid marriage took place	
Marital status of the Groom at the time of the invalid marriage	
Marital status of the Bride at the time of the invalid marriage	
Have you sighted the full civil Certificate of Marriage?	
For what pastoral reasons do you recommend this application?	
Does the partners consent to the marriage still continue?	

## Application for a Dispensation from the Canonical Form of Marriage

*This application should be accompanied by an application for Permission for a Mixed Marriage or a Dispensation from the Impediment of Disparity of Worship. The necessary sections found earlier in this form should be completed in addition to that below.*

<b>DECLARATION BY THE CATHOLIC PARTY</b>
I (full name)
a Catholic of the Parish of
Wishing to marry (full name)
request that I may be dispensed from the obligation of marrying according to the rite of the Catholic Church. I propose to be married in (venue and locality)
on
I undertake to advise if there is any alteration to this arrangement and, as soon as possible after the marriage, to notify the priest who presents this application of the fact that the marriage was celebrated, indicating the place of the celebration and the public form which was observed.
My reasons for making this request are
<i>Signature of the Catholic Party</i>
<i>Place and Date</i>

<p><i>The Australian Catholics Bishops Conference adopted two general criteria for granting a Dispensation from Canonical form:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li><i>1. When a party to the marriage is a close relative by blood or marriage with a Minister of another Church.</i></li><li><i>2. When, in the informed judgement of the bishop, the refusal of the dispensation could constitute either a grave danger to the faith of the Catholic or to the peace and harmony of the couple.</i></li></ol>	<p><i>Notes:</i></p> <p><i>It should not be assumed that a dispensation from canonical form will be granted automatically on application.</i></p> <p><i>If a dispensation is granted, the vows must be received by another civilly registered celebrant.</i></p> <p><i>This application should be forwarded to the Chancery Office at least three months prior to the date of the proposed marriage.</i></p>
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<b>DECLARATION BY THE PRIEST</b>
Are you satisfied that there is justification for a dispensation in this case? <i>(please say why)</i>
To what extent does the Catholic Party practise the Catholic faith?
Is the non-Catholic Party a practising member of a Christian Church?
Any further comments?
<i>Signature of the Catholic Party</i>
<i>Place and Date</i>

## Application for Permission to Marry in a Place Other Than a Church

*If one party is not Catholic this application should be accompanied by an application for Permission for a Mixed Marriage or a Dispensation from the Impediment of Disparity of Worship. The necessary sections found earlier in this form should be completed in addition to that below.*

**Note: This application is to be made and a response received BEFORE wedding arrangements are made. It should not be assumed that permission will be granted automatically on application.**

### DECLARATION BY THE COUPLE

We request permission to marry in a place other than a Catholic Church, chapel or oratory. Our reasons for making this request are:

*Signature of the Groom*

*Signature of the Bride*

*Place and Date*

*Place and Date*

### DECLARATION BY THE PRIEST

In general the criterion for granting these permissions is when refusal of the permission could constitute either a grave danger to the faith of the Catholic party or to the peace and harmony of the couple. Are you satisfied that there is justification for permission in this case? *(Please say why)*

To what extent does the Catholic party practise the Catholic faith?

Is the non-Catholic Party a practising member of a Christian Church?

Any further comments?

Having examined the request, I recommend that permission be given.

*Signature of the Priest*

*Place and Date*

# Application for a Dispensation from any Impediment other than Disparity of Worship

To be completed by a Priest or Deacon.

From which impediment is a dispensation being sought?
What are the details relating to the impediment? <i>In cases of consanguinity or affinity, please draw a diagram of the family relationships</i>
Has the Groom a domicile or a quasi-domicile or is he actually present in this diocese?
Has the Bride a domicile or a quasi-domicile or is she actually present in this diocese?
Do you consider the granting of this application would contribute to the spiritual welfare of the Catholic partner(s)?
Have you any comments to make regarding this application?
<i>Signature of the Priest</i>
<i>Place and Date</i>

<input type="checkbox"/>	<b><i>Permission for Mixed Marriage</i></b>	
	<i>Granted at</i>	<i>Reference No.</i>
	<i>Date</i>	<i>By whom granted</i>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b><i>Dispensation from Disparity of Worship</i></b>	
	<i>Granted at</i>	<i>Reference No.</i>
	<i>Date</i>	<i>By whom granted</i>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b><i>Dispensation from Canonical Form</i></b>	
	<i>Granted at</i>	<i>Reference No.</i>
	<i>Date</i>	<i>By whom granted</i>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b><i>Permission for Marriage in Place Other Than a Church</i></b>	
	<i>Granted at</i>	<i>Reference No.</i>
	<i>Date</i>	<i>By whom granted</i>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b><i>Dispensation from Other Impediments: (please specify)</i></b>	
	<i>Granted at</i>	<i>Reference No.</i>
	<i>Date</i>	<i>By whom granted</i>

**TO BE COMPLETED BY THE PRIEST OR DEACON**

If there are any impediments to this marriage, state which.	
How long has the couple been considering this marriage?	
Are the persons related by blood, by marriage or by adoption?	
Does either party or parent belong to an Eastern Catholic Rite?	
Other relevant comments	
I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and subject to any necessary permission or dispensation being obtained, these persons are free to marry.	<i>Signature</i>

**DELEGATION***When the celebrant does not possess the faculties of the diocese where the marriage is celebrated.*

I hereby delegate this priest/deacon to officiate at this marriage within the boundaries of the parish.

*Date**Parish**Priest/Deacon***PERMISSION***When neither party has a domicile or a quasi-domicile or one month's residence in the place of marriage.*

I, the Parish Priest of the Groom/Bride, grant permission for this marriage to take place outside this parish.

*Date**Priest/Deacon*