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OF
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Before the service, the following music shall be played

Paeon	HERBERT HOWELLS (born 1892)
Preludio al Vespro di Monteverdi	MICHAEL TIPPETT (born 1905)
Prelude and Fugue on a Theme of Vittoria	BENJAMIN BRITTEN (1913-1976)
Aria and Toccata from Symphony for Organ	MALCOLM WILLIAMSON (born 1931)
Sonata in G for Organ Op. 28	EDWARD ELGAR (1857-1934)
Psalm-Prelude, Set II no. 3 (Psalm 33 v. 3)	HERBERT HOWELLS
Andante tranquillo	ARTHUR BLISS (1891-1975)
Trumpet March	GEOFFREY BUSH (born 1920)
Rhosymedre	RALPH VAUGHAN WILLIAMS (1872-1958)

During the Procession of Her Majesty The Queen

Rondeau from Abdelazar	HENRY PURCELL (1659-1695)
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During the Procession of His Royal Highness The Prince of Wales

Trumpet Tune	HENRY PURCELL
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ORDER OF SERVICE

At 10.42 the Carriage Procession of Her Majesty The Queen will arrive at the Cathedral. Her Majesty The Queen and His Royal Highness The Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh will be received at the foot of the Steps by the Lord Mayor, who, bearing the Pearl Sword, will precede Her Majesty and His Royal Highness followed by Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother and other Members of the Royal Family and those in attendance to the West Door.

At the West Door, Their Majesties and Their Royal Highnesses will be received by the Dean and Chapter with the Bishop of London and the Archbishop of Canterbury. They will move in procession to their seats under the Dome, and the Lord Mayor, bearing the Pearl Sword, will precede Her Majesty The Queen.

At 10.50 the Carriage Procession of the Bridegroom will arrive at the Cathedral.

At the West Door, the Bridegroom and The Prince Andrew will be received by the Dean and Chapter with the Bishop of London and the Archbishop of Canterbury. Then they will move in procession with The Prince Edward to the Dean's Aisle.

At 10.55 the Carriage Procession of the Bride will arrive at the Cathedral.

A Fanfare shall be sounded as the Bride enters the Cathedral.

The Bride, accompanied by her father, will be received by the Dean and Chapter with the Bishop of London and the Archbishop of Canterbury.

The Bride's Procession will move through the Nave. The Bridegroom and his Supporters will move from the Dean's Aisle to the foot of the Dais under the Dome.

The Bride and the Bridegroom with the father of the Bride and the Supporters of the Bridegroom will ascend the Dais.

During the Procession of the Bride, there shall be played

The Trumpet Voluntary
(The Prince of Denmark's March)

JEREMIAH CLARKE (c. 1673–1707)
Organist of St Paul's 1699–1707

Then all shall join in singing

HYMN

CHRIST is made the sure Foundation,
And the precious Corner-stone,
Who, the two walls underlying
Bound in each, binds both in one,
Holy Sion's help for ever,
And her confidence alone.

To this temple, where we call thee,
Come, O Lord of Hosts, to-day;
With thy wonted loving-kindness
Hear thy people as they pray;
And thy fullest benediction
Shed within its walls for ay.

Here vouchsafe to all thy servants
What they supplicate to gain;
Here to have and hold for ever
Those good things their prayers obtain,
And hereafter in thy glory
With thy blessed ones to reign.

Laud and honour to the Father;
Laud and honour to the Son;
Laud and honour to the Spirit;
Ever Three and ever One:
Consubstantial, co-eternal,
While unending ages run. Amen.

Words 7th century
trans. J. M. NEALE (1818–66)

Music Westminster Abbey
HENRY PURCELL (1659–95)

The Form of
SOLEMNIZATION OF MATRIMONY

The congregation shall remain standing

At the day and time appointed for Solemnization of Matrimony, the persons to be married shall come into the body of the Church with their friends and neighbours: and there standing together, the Man on the right hand and the Woman on the left, THE DEAN shall say

DEARLY beloved, we are gathered here in the sight of God and in the face of this congregation, to join together this man and this woman in Holy Matrimony; which is an honourable estate, instituted of God himself, signifying unto us the mystical union that is betwixt Christ and his Church; which holy estate Christ adorned and beautified with his presence, and first miracle that he wrought, in Cana of Galilee, and is commended in Holy Writ to be honourable among all men; and therefore is not by any to be enterprised, nor taken in hand, unadvisedly, lightly, or wantonly; but reverently, discreetly, soberly, and in the fear of God, duly considering the causes for which Matrimony was ordained.

First, It was ordained for the increase of mankind according to the will of God, and that children might be brought up in the fear and nurture of the Lord, and to the praise of his holy name.

Secondly, It was ordained in order that the natural instincts and affections, implanted by God, should be hallowed and directed aright; that those who are called of God to this holy estate, should continue therein in pureness of living.

Thirdly, It was ordained for the mutual society, help, and comfort, that the one ought to have of the other, both in prosperity and adversity.

Into which holy estate these two persons present come now to be joined.

Therefore if any man can shew any just cause, why they may not lawfully be joined together, let him now speak, or else hereafter for ever hold his peace.

Then, speaking unto the persons that shall be married,

THE ARCHBISHOP OF CANTERBURY *shall say*

I REQUIRE and charge you both, as ye will answer at the dreadful day of judgment when the secrets of all hearts shall be disclosed, that if either of you know any impediment, why ye may not be lawfully joined together in Matrimony, ye do now confess it. For be ye well assured, that so many as are coupled together otherwise than God's word doth allow are not joined together by God; neither is their Matrimony lawful.

If no impediment be alleged, then shall the Archbishop say unto the Man

CHARLES PHILIP ARTHUR GEORGE wilt thou have this woman to thy wedded wife, to live together after God's ordinance in the holy estate of Matrimony? Wilt thou love her, comfort her, honour, and keep her, in sickness and in health; and, forsaking all other, keep thee only unto her, so long as ye both shall live?

The Man shall answer

I will.

Then shall the Archbishop say unto the Woman

DIANA FRANCES wilt thou have this man to thy wedded husband, to live together according to God's law in the holy estate of Matrimony? Wilt thou love him, comfort him, honour and keep him, in sickness and in health; and, forsaking all other, keep thee only unto him, so long as ye both shall live?

The Woman shall answer

I will.

Then shall the Archbishop say

Who giveth this Woman to be married to this Man?

Then shall they give their troth to each other in this manner

*The Archbishop, receiving the Woman at her father's hands,
shall cause the Man with his right hand to take the Woman by her right hand,
and to say after him as followeth*

I CHARLES PHILIP ARTHUR GEORGE take thee DIANA FRANCES to my wedded wife, to have and to hold from this day forward, for better for worse, for richer for poorer, in sickness and in health, to love and to cherish, till death us do part, according to God's holy law; and thereto I give thee my troth.

Then shall they loose their hands; and the Woman, with her right hand taking the Man by his right hand, shall likewise say after the Archbishop

I DIANA FRANCES take thee CHARLES PHILIP ARTHUR GEORGE to my wedded husband, to have and to hold from this day forward, for better for worse, for richer for poorer, in sickness and in health, to love and to cherish, till death us do part, according to God's holy law; and thereto I give thee my troth.

*Then shall they again loose their hands; and the Man shall give
unto the Woman a ring, laying the same upon the book.*

And the Archbishop shall say a prayer for the blessing of the ring

BLESS, O Lord this ring, and grant that he who gives it and she who shall wear it may remain faithful to each other, and abide in thy peace and favour, and live together in love until their lives' end. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Then the Archbishop, taking the ring, shall deliver it unto the Man
to put it upon the fourth finger of the Woman's left hand.*

And the Man, holding the ring there, and taught by the Archbishop, shall say

WITH this ring I thee wed; with my body I thee honour; and all my worldly goods with thee I share: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

Then shall the Man leave the ring upon the fourth finger of the Woman's left hand, and they shall both kneel down: BUT THE CONGREGATION SHALL REMAIN STANDING.

Then the Archbishop shall say

Let us pray.

O ETERNAL God, Creator and Preserver of all mankind, giver of all spiritual grace, the author of everlasting life: Send thy blessing upon these thy servants, this man and this woman, whom we bless in thy name; that, living faithfully together, they may surely perform and keep the vow and covenant betwixt them made, whereof this ring given and received is a token and pledge; and may ever remain in perfect love and peace together, and live according to thy laws; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Then shall the Archbishop join their right hands together, and say

Those whom God hath joined together let no man put asunder.

Then shall the Archbishop speak unto the people

FORASMUCH as CHARLES PHILIP ARTHUR GEORGE and DIANA FRANCES have consented together in holy wedlock, and have witnessed the same before God and this company, and thereto have given and pledged their troth either to other, and have declared the same by giving and receiving of a ring, and by joining of hands; I pronounce that they be man and wife together, In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. *Amen.*

And the Archbishop shall add this Blessing

GOD the Father, God the Son, God the Holy Ghost, bless, preserve, and keep you; the Lord mercifully with his favour look upon you; and so fill you with all spiritual benediction and grace, that ye may so live together in this life, that in the world to come ye may have life everlasting. *Amen.*

Then shall all be seated, and the Choir shall sing

***L**ET the people praise thee, O God: yea, let all the people praise thee.*

O let the nations rejoice and be glad: for thou shalt judge the folk righteously, and govern the nations upon earth.

Then shall the earth bring forth her increase: and God, even our own God, shall give us his blessing.

God shall bless us: and all the ends of the world shall fear him.

God be merciful unto us, and bless us: and shew us the light of his countenance, and be merciful unto us.

That thy way may be known upon earth: thy saving health among all nations.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

Words from Psalm 67

*Music WILLIAM MATHIAS
(born 1934)*

Then shall follow

THE LESSON

read by

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE GEORGE THOMAS, M.P.,
SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF COMMONS

THOUGH I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, and have not love, I am become as sounding brass, or a tinkling cymbal. And though I have the gift of prophecy, and understand all mysteries, and all knowledge; and though I have all faith, so that I could remove mountains, and have not love, I am nothing.

And though I bestow all my goods to feed the poor, and though I give my body to be burned, and have not love, it profiteth me nothing.

Love suffereth long, and is kind; love envieth not; love vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up,

Doth not behave itself unseemly, seeketh not her own, is not easily provoked, thinketh no evil;

Rejoiceth not in iniquity, but rejoiceth in the truth;

Beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things.

Love never faileth: but whether there be prophecies, they shall fail; whether there be tongues, they shall cease; whether there be knowledge, it shall vanish away.

For we know in part, and we prophesy in part.

But when that which is perfect is come, then that which is in part shall be done away.

When I was a child, I spake as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child: but when I became a man, I put away childish things.

For now we see through a glass, darkly; but then face to face: now I know in part, but then shall I know even as also I am known.

And now abideth faith, hope, love, these three; but the greatest of these is love.

I Corinthians 13

All shall remain seated for

THE ADDRESS

by

THE MOST REVEREND AND RIGHT HONOURABLE
ROBERT RUNCIE, M.C., D.D., ARCHBISHOP OF CANTERBURY,
PRIMATE OF ALL ENGLAND AND METROPOLITAN

Then the Choir shall sing

THE ANTHEM

I WAS glad when they said unto me, we will go into the house of the Lord. Our feet shall stand in thy gates, O Jerusalem. Jerusalem is builded as a city that is at unity in itself.

O pray for the peace of Jerusalem, they shall prosper that love thee. Peace be within thy walls, and plenteousness within thy palaces.

Words Psalm 122.1-3, 6, 7 *Music* CHARLES HUBERT HASTINGS PARRY
(1848-1918)

The anthem ended, the congregation shall kneel for

THE PRAYERS

The Lesser Litany shall be sung by the MINOR CANON

Let us pray.

Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

- V. O Lord, save thy servant, and thy handmaid;
R. Who put their trust in thee.
- V. O Lord, send them help from thy holy place;
R. And evermore defend them.
- V. Be unto them a tower of strength;
R. From the face of their enemy.
- V. O Lord, hear our prayer;
R. And let our cry come unto thee.

Then THE RIGHT REVEREND AND RIGHT HONOURABLE THE LORD COGGAN
shall say

HEAVENLY Father,
we thank you that in our earthly lives
you speak to us of our eternal life:
we pray that through their marriage
CHARLES and DIANA
may know you more clearly,
love you more dearly,
and follow you more nearly,
day by day;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE CARDINAL ARCHBISHOP OF WESTMINSTER *shall say*

ALMIGHTY God,
you send your Holy Spirit
to be the life and light of all your people.
Open the hearts of these your children
to the riches of his grace,
that they may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit
in love and joy and peace;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE MODERATOR OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE CHURCH OF
SCOTLAND *shall say*

HEAVENLY Father,
maker of all things,
you enable us to share in your work of creation.
Bless this couple in the gift and care of children,
that their home may be a place of love,
security, and truth,
and their children grow up
to know and love you in your Son
Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE REVEREND HARRY WILLIAMS *shall say*

O GOD, you are the giver of all happiness; you are the giver of all love; we thank you and praise your name for the love you have given to these your servants, CHARLES PRINCE OF WALES and DIANA PRINCESS OF WALES. Bless and enrich them in their joy; grant that they may continually grow in their understanding and support of one another so that their home may be to them a sanctuary where they may constantly be renewed. Give them the courage to meet the responsibilities of their life of service to this kingdom and commonwealth; and when, as all people must, they encounter times of hardship and trial, give them the wisdom and strength to bring them through victoriously. We thank you for all they mean to us and will do for us. And, as we rejoice in their happiness, grant us all to see that it is in the service of your self-giving love alone that true happiness can be found, as was shown us by your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Then shall he lead the congregation in saying

O UR Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive those who trespass against us, And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil. *Amen.*

and continue with the Blessing of the Couple

A LMIGHTY God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Pour upon you the riches of his grace, sanctify and bless you, that you may please him both in body and soul, and live together in holy love unto your lives' end. *Amen.*

The congregation standing, all shall sing

HYMN

I VOW to thee, my country, all earthly things above,
Entire and whole and perfect, the service of my love:
The love that asks no question, the love that stands the test,
That lays upon the altar the dearest and the best;
The love that never falters, the love that pays the price,
The love that makes undaunted the final sacrifice.

And there's another country, I've heard of long ago,
Most dear to them that love her, most great to them that know;
We may not count her armies, we may not see her King;
Her fortress is a faithful heart, her pride is suffering;
And soul by soul and silently her shining bounds increase,
And her ways are ways of gentleness and all her paths are peace.

Words CECIL SPRING-RICE
(1859–1918)

Music GUSTAV HOLST
(1874–1934)

All shall kneel, and THE ARCHBISHOP OF CANTERBURY shall pronounce

THE BLESSING

GOD the Holy Trinity make you strong in faith and love, defend
you on every side, and guide you in truth and peace; and the
blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be
among you and remain with you always.

The Choir shall sing

Amen.

Music ORLANDO GIBBONS
(1583–1625)

All shall stand to sing

GOD save our gracious Queen,
Long live our noble Queen,
God save the Queen.
Send her victorious,
Happy and glorious,
Long to reign over us;
God save the Queen.

Thy choicest gifts in store
On her be pleased to pour,
Long may she reign.
May she defend our laws,
And ever give us cause
To sing with heart and voice
God save the Queen.

Arr. DAVID WILLCOCKS
(born 1919)

*Then shall the Archbishop of Canterbury precede the Bride and Bridegroom
to the Dean's Aisle for the Signing of the Registers*

During the Procession shall be played

March from the Overture to the
Occasional Oratorio

GEORGE FRIDERIC HANDEL
(1685-1759)

*The Dean and Chapter with the Bishop of London will conduct Her Majesty
The Queen, His Royal Highness The Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh and
those who are to sign the Registers to the Dean's Aisle*

During the Signing of the Registers, there shall be sung

Aria

Let the bright Seraphim in burning row,
Their loud uplifted angel-trumpets blow;
Let the Cherubic host, in tuneful choirs,
Touch their immortal harps with golden wires.

Chorus

Let their celestial concerts all unite,
Ever to sound his praise in endless morn of light.

Music GEORGE FRIDERIC HANDEL
(1685-1759)
from "Samson"

*After the Signing of the Registers, the Dean and Chapter with the Bishop of
London and the Archbishop of Canterbury will conduct Her Majesty
The Queen, His Royal Highness The Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh
and those who have signed the Registers to their seats under the Dome, and
shall then move in procession to the West Door.*

A Fanfare shall be sounded and there shall be played

Pomp and Circumstance No. 4 in G
Crown Imperial

EDWARD ELGAR (1857–1934)
WILLIAM WALTON (born 1902)

The Bride and Bridegroom will move in procession from the Dean's Aisle into the Quire. They will pass under the Dome and through the Nave to the West Door.

The Procession of Her Majesty The Queen, having formed, will move from under the Dome to the West Door. The Lord Mayor, bearing the Pearl Sword, will precede Her Majesty.

Members of the Congregation are requested to remain in their places until directed by the Ushers to leave the Cathedral.

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