

## **Order of Celebrating Matrimony**

### **Rite of Reception**

- Entrance Rite
- Greeting

### **Liturgy of the Word**

- First Reading
- Responsorial Psalm
- Second Reading
- Gospel Acclamation
- Gospel
- Homily

### **Celebration of Matrimony**

- Address and Statement of Intentions
- Exchange of Consent
- Blessing and Giving of Rings
  - Blessing and exchange of Arras (Coins)\*
- The Universal Prayer
- The Lord's Prayer
  - Blessing of Lazo\*
- Nuptial Blessing

### **Concluding Rite**

- Blessing

- Dismissal

\*If you don't know what this is it's okay...its optional but big in some cultures

The "Unity Candle is not necessary; it is not a part of the official Catholic Liturgy. Ask your Priest or Deacon consultant to see if it is allowed.