

## **Congratulations on your upcoming wedding!**

A Catholic wedding (whether within or outside of Mass) is a liturgy. The whole thing, from prelude to end, is a prayer. That's why the Church says that all music used in its liturgy should be easily identifiable as prayer or music that leads our hearts into prayer. Below are ideas of music that work well for weddings – music that is both sacred and matrimonial in nature. You are not bound to this list, but this gives you guidelines.

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### **Instrumental Only: (often used during the seating of the parents, the bridal party's procession, the bride's procession, and the recessional)**

**Air on the G String** (Bach) [Air on the G String](#)

**Arioso** (Bach) [Arioso](#)

**As the Deer** (Hayes) [As the Deer](#)

**Canon in D** (Pachelbel) [Canon in D](#)

**God, we Praise You** (Nettleton) [God We Praise You](#)

**Hymn to Joy** (Beethoven) [Beethoven's Ode to Joy](#)

**Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring** (Bach) [Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring](#)

**La Rejouissance** (Handel) [LA RÉJOUISSANCE \(ROYAL FIREWORKS\)](#)

**O God Beyond All Praising** (THAXTED) [O God Beyond All Praising](#)

**On Wings of Song** (Mendelssohn) [On Wings of Song](#)

**Panis Angelicus** (Franck) [Panis Angelicus](#)

**Prelude in C** (Bach) [J.S. Bach - Prelude in C Major \(youtube.com\)](#)

**Rondeau** (Mouret) [Rondeau](#)

**Sheep May Safely Graze** (Bach) [Sheep May Safely Graze, Bach/Petri \(youtube.com\)](#)

**St. Anthony Chorale** (Haydn) [Chorale St. Antoni](#)

**Trumpet Tune and Air** (Purcell) [H. Purcell - Trumpet Tune](#)

**Trumpet Voluntary** (Clarke) [Jeremiah Clarke - Trumpet Voluntary](#)

**Wedding March** (Mendelssohn) [MENDELSSOHN - WEDDING MARCH](#)

**With Trumpets and Horns** (Handel) [With Trumpets and Horns \(Water Music\)](#)

## Vocal Music:

There are many opportunities for vocal music, including Offertory, Communion, Meditation/Presentation to Mary/Unity Candle. You may also want to consider using vocal music for any of the processions (Seating of Grandparents/Parents, Bridal Party, Bride's Entrance), or Recessional. Below are examples of contemporary and more traditional types of music that works well for weddings. You are not bound to this list, but this gives ideas of music that is both sacred and matrimonial in nature.

### Ideas of Contemporary style songs:

10000 Reasons (Matt Redman) [10,000 Reasons \(Bless the Lord\)](#)

A Mother's Prayer (Carole Bayer Sager and David Foster) [A Mother's Prayer](#)

Breathe (Marie Barnett) [Breathe](#)

Goodness of God (Bethel) [Goodness Of God](#)

Great are You Lord (All Sons and Daughters) [Great Are You Lord](#)

Hail Holy Queen (Danielle Rose) [Hail Holy Queen](#)

Holy Spirit (Francesca Battistelli) [Holy Spirit - Francesca Battistelli](#)

How Deep the Father's Love for Us (Stuart Townend) [How Deep The Father's Love For Us](#)

I Shall Not Want (Audrey Assad) [I Shall Not Want](#)

In Christ Alone (Townend) [In Christ Alone](#)

Irresistible (David M. Edwards and Regi Stone) [Irresistible](#)

Lord, I Need You (Chris Tomlin) [Lord I Need You](#)

O Come to the Altar (Elevation Worship) [O Come to the Altar](#)

Oceans (Hillsong) [Oceans](#)

New Wine (Hillsong) [New Wine](#)

Reckless Love (Cory Asbury) [Reckless Love](#)

Shine on Us (Michael W. Smith) [SHINE ON US \(SATB Choir\)](#)

Sing My Love with Like and Avalanche: [Sing My Love/Like and Avalanche](#)

Still (Reuben Morgan); [Still](#)

What a Beautiful Name (Hillsong) [What A Beautiful Name](#)

Wonderful, Merciful Savior (Selah) [Wonderful, Merciful Saviour](#)

## Ideas of more traditional/classical style songs

### MOST HYMNS IN THE HYMNAL ARE ACCEPTABLE TO BE SUNG AT WEDDINGS

As I Kneel Before You (Ave Maria) [As I Kneel Before You](#)

As the Deer (Shane and Shane) [As The Deer](#)

Ave Maria (Schubert) [Ave Maria Schubert](#)

Ave Maria (Bach/Gounod) [Gounod, J.S. Bach: Ave Maria](#), (vocals start at 2:24)

Be Thou My Vision (Audrey Assad) [Be Thou My Vision](#)

Bread of Angels (Curtis Stephan) [Bread of Angels](#)

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing (Audrey Assad): [Come Thou Fount](#)

Holy, Holy, Holy (Audrey Assad) [Holy, Holy, Holy](#)

Holy is His Name (John Michael Talbot) [Holy is His Name](#)

How Glorious Your Name (Roc O'Connor) [How Glorious Your Name](#)

How Great Thou Art (Carrie Underwood) [How Great Thou Art](#)

How Beautiful (Twila Paris) [How Beautiful](#)

Jesus, My Lord, My God, My All [Jesus, My Lord, My God, My All](#)

Mary's Song (Millie Rieth) [Mary's Song](#)

O Wondrous Love (Steve and Vikki Cook; arranged by Bruce Greer); [O Wondrous Love](#)

Oh, How He Loves You and Me (Kurt Kaiser) [Oh How He Loves You and Me](#)

Only a Shadow (Carey Landry) [Only a Shadow](#)

Panis Angelicus [Panis Angelicus - hymn](#)

Panis Angelicus (Franck) [Friar Alessandro - Panis Angelicus](#)

Servant Song (Sr. Donna Maria McGargill) [Servant Song](#)

The Summons [The Summons](#)

You Are My All in All (Dennis Jernigan); [You are My All in All](#)

You Are Mine (David Haas) [You are Mine](#)