

**BOWOOD GOLF AND COUNTRY CLUB  
DERRY HILL**

**Order of Service**

*for the marriage of*

*Emily Louise*

*&*

*Mr James Christopher Carter*

*Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> August 2011 at 2.00pm*

**Entrance of the Bride**

Music: "I want you" by James Newton Howard.

**Welcome and Introduction by The Superintendent Registrar.**

*First Reading. We wish you these gifts - Author unknown  
Read by Samantha and Natalie Fanaken.*

*We come today to join in your gladness,  
With gifts to show the love we feel for you.  
Gifts to grace your home with brightness and with beauty.*

*But we would also give you gifts of greater value,  
That will not age, nor fade, nor wear away.  
And so we bring along with earthly blessings  
A store of wishes for your wedding day.*

*May you have memories to share together  
A precious treasure gathered through the years  
Of happy hours and troubles met and vanquished,  
The gold of laughter and the jewel of tears.*

*We wish you love, deep warm and tender,  
More deep and fragrant through each passing day,  
Through cloud and sunshine, steadfast and unchanging,  
Love that gives and seeks not her own.*

*We wish you joy in fullest measure  
That every day be filled  
With joyful happy things.*

*We wish you patience, gentleness and kindness,  
Hope that does not wilt nor fade  
Courage, strong and unafraid  
And faith that does not falter.*

*We wish you sympathy and sense,  
Calmness and confidence  
Always with a twinkle in your eyes! We wish you the peace that passes*

*understanding  
To guard your hearts whatever may betide.*

### **The Marriage Ceremony**

#### **The Declaration**

#### **The Contract.**

Second reading-Just exchange by Sir Philip Sidney  
Read by Karen Verschuere

*My true love hath my heart, and I have his,  
By just exchange one for another given,  
I hold his deare, and mine he cannot misse.  
There never was a better bargaine driven.  
My true love hath my heart and I have his.*

*His heart in me keeps him and me in one,  
My heart in him his thoughts and sense guides;  
He loves my heart, for once it was his owne,  
I cherish his, because in me it bides.  
My true love hath my heart and I have his.*

#### **Exchange of Rings.**

Third Reading-Marriage Message by James Dillet Freeman  
Read by Jan Verschuere.

*May your marriage bring you all the exquisite  
Excitement marriage should bring,  
And may life grant you also patience,  
Tolerance and understanding.*

*May you always need one another  
Not so much to fill your emptiness  
As to help you to know your fullness.  
A mountain needs a valley to be complete,  
The valley does not make  
the mountain less, but more;  
And the valley is more of a valley because*

*it has a mountain towering over it.*

*May you need one another, but not out of weakness,*

*May you want one another but not out of lack,  
May you entice one another but not compel one another  
May you embrace one another but not encircle one another  
May you succeed in all important ways with one another  
and not fail in the little graces.  
May you look for things to praise, often say "I love you"  
and take no notice of small faults.*

*If you have quarrels that push you apart,  
May both of you hope to have  
good sense enough to take the first step back.*

*May you enter into the mystery which is  
the awareness of one another's  
presence – no more physical than spiritual,  
warm and near when you are  
side by side, warm and near when  
you are in separate rooms  
or even distant cities.*

*May you have happiness,  
and may you find it making one another happy,  
May you have love, and may you find it loving one another.*

#### **Completion of the Marriage.**

#### **Signing of the Register.**

Music: Sleepy shores by Johnny Pearson, Soul Coaxing by Raymond Lefevre,  
Cast your Fate to the Wind by Sounds Orchestral.

#### **Exit of the Bride and Groom.**

Music: Love is like a Butterfly by Dolly Parton.