## **Wedding Prayer**

Blessed are you, Father and Lord, Who created joy and gladness, bridegroom and bride, comfort and delight, love and friendship, Who established marriage for the happiness and well-being of men and women, We thank you for the gift of love to these two, and we rejoice on this glad occasion.

We put this marriage into your hands, Surround them with your love now and always, \_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ have joined their lives together, Let their love for each other be a seal upon their hearts, a mantle about their shoulders, and a crown upon their heads.

May they find all the tasks in life easier because they Approach those tasks together. In sickness and health may they find your strength, In doubts and struggles may they see your light, In hurts and failures may they find your pardon, In loneliness and desperation may they find your joy,

May they find no cold because each is warmth to the other, Bless them with your presence here and now and at all times, We pray in Christ's name, Amen.

## Wedding Table Grace

Lord God, Creator of the universe, Father of us all, We are gathered at this wedding banquet to celebrate the love that unites \_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_ in the bond of marriage. Bless this food that we are about to receive, a sign of your continuing care for us. May your blessing descend upon \_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_, their families, and friends, those gathered here and those unable to be with us tonight. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, Who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.