



*Eucharistic Celebration
and
Nuptial Mass
of
Michael & Anna*



THE TRANSFIGURATION CHAPEL

CALERUEGA, BATANGAS

MAY 19TH 2012

Nillo - De Guzman Nuptials

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Introductory Rites

Francis: Dearest brothers and sisters, there is a moment in each of our lives when life gains a richer meaning because it is shared. We are gathered in this moment to witness the unity of two souls, to be bonded as one. We celebrate the Holy Eucharist, and witness the beginning of a new life for Michael & Anna, as they take their vows and unite themselves in the Holy Sacrament of Matrimony.

Let us all be seated for the processional.

Choir: ‹Processional song›

The wedding entourage enters.

Francis: Let us all rise to welcome the bride.

Choir: ‹Bridal March song›

The bride enters.

GREETINGS

Francis: Please remain standing as we begin the Eucharistic celebration.

Fr. Ibay: In the name of the Father and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

ALL: Amen.

Fr. Ibay: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

ALL: And with your spirit.

Fr. Ibay: Dearly beloved Michael & Anna, God is love and has, in mysterious ways, drawn you together in love. The Lord will help you forge a future for your love, and if you do your share, when you stand in the commitment to love and honor one another in good times, and in bad, in poverty and plenty, in sickness and in health, for better or for worse, in that covenant which you are about to seal.

Penitential Rites

Fr. Ibay: To prepare ourselves to celebrate these sacred mysteries, let us call to mind our sins and ask God for His healing and forgiveness.

ALL: I confess to Almighty God, and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned through my fault, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done, and in what I have failed to do. And I ask Blessed Mary, ever Virgin, all the angels and saints, and to you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

Fr. Ibay: May Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins and bring us to everlasting life.

ALL: Amen.

Choir: <Gloria Song>

OPENING PRAYER

Fr. Ibay: Let us pray.

Father, you have made the bond of marriage a holy mystery, a symbol of Christ's love for His church. Hear our prayer for Michael & Anna. With faith in you and in each other, they pledge their love today. May their lives bear witness to the reality of that divine love. We ask you this, through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever.

ALL: Amen.

Francis: Please be seated for the Liturgy of the Word.

Liturgy of the Word

FIRST READING

Kevin: A reading from the book of Tobit (8:4-8)

When the girl's parents left the bedroom and closed the door behind them, Tobias arose from bed and said to his wife, "My love, get up. Let us pray and beg our Lord to have mercy on us and to grant us deliverance." She got up, and they started to pray and beg that deliverance might be theirs.

He began with these words: "Blessed are you, O God of our fathers; praised be your name forever and ever. Let the heavens and all your creation praise you forever. You made Adam and you gave him his wife Eve to be his help and support; and from these two the human race descended. You said, 'It is not good for the man to be alone; let us make him a partner like himself.' Now, Lord, you know that I take this wife of mine not because of lust, but for a noble purpose. Call down your mercy on me and on her, and allow us to live together to a happy old age." They said together, "Amen, amen."

This is the word of the Lord.

ALL: **Thanks be to God.**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Francis: Responsorial Psalm. Let our response be: "The earth is full of the goodness of the Lord." Please repeat.

ALL: **The earth is full of the goodness of the Lord.**

Francis: Blessed the nation whose God is the Lord, the people he has chosen for his own inheritance. But see, the eyes of the Lord are upon those who fear him, upon those who hope for his kindness. Response.

ALL: **The earth is full of the goodness of the Lord.**

Francis: Our soul waits for the Lord, who is our help and our shield, for in Him our hearts rejoice; in his Holy name we trust. Response.

ALL: **The earth is full of the goodness of the Lord.**

Francis: May your kindness, O Lord, be upon us who have put our hope in you. Response.

ALL: **The earth is full of the goodness of the Lord.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Francis: Please all stand to honor the Holy Gospel.

Choir: <Alleluia song>

Francis: If we love one another, God will live in us in perfect love. No one has ever seen God. Yet, if we love one another, God remains in us and His love is brought to perfection in us. (1 John 4:12)

Fr. Ibay: The Lord be with you.

ALL: **And with your spirit.**

Fr. Ibay: A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John.

ALL: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Fr. Ibay: Jesus said to his disciples:

"Just as the Father has loved Me, I have also loved you; abide in My love. If you keep My commandments, you will abide in My love; just as I have kept My Father's commandments and abide in His love. These things I have spoken to you so that My joy may be in you, and that your joy may be made full. "

"This is My commandment, that you love one another, just as I have loved you. Greater love has no one than this. That one lay down his life for his friends. You are My friends if you do what I command you. No longer do I call you slaves, for the slave does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all things that I have heard from My Father I have made known to you. You did not choose Me but I chose you, and appointed you that you would go and bear fruit, and that your fruit would remain, so that whatever you ask of the Father in My name He may give to you. This I command you, that you love one another."

This is the gospel of the Lord.

ALL: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Francis: Please be seated for the Homily.

HOMILY

by: Fr. Roberto J. Ibay, SVD

Rites of Marriage

Francis: Please remain seated for the rite of marriage.

We would like to request the candle sponsors, *Carl & Divine*, to light the wedding candles.

Fr. Ibay: Lord, you have given Michael & Anna, through your son Jesus Christ, the gift of light that brightens their paths. Bless their lives with the warmth of your presence and the light of your wisdom as symbolized by these candles that they may also lead others to Your Truth and Love.

STATEMENT OF INTENTIONS

Francis: Michael & Anna, please rise.

We would like to request Michael & Anna's parents and the principal sponsors to please stand as witnesses to this ceremony.

Fr. Ibay: Michael & Anna, you are here today to seal your love with an eternal bond before the Church. I assure you of the prayers of your community that God may pour His abundant blessings on your love and help you carry out the duties of the married state. And you, dear brothers and sisters, I ask you to help them with your prayers and accept them as a new couple in our Christian community.

I ask you to answer truthfully the following questions.

Anna, did you come here of your own free will to bind yourself forever in the love and service of your husband?

Anna: Yes, Father.

Fr. Ibay: Michael, did you come here of your own free will to bind yourself forever in the love and service of your wife?

Michael: Yes, Father.

Fr. Ibay: Michael & Anna, are you both ready to raise as good Christians the children whom God will give you?

M & A: Yes, Father.

EXCHANGE OF CONSENT

Fr. Ibay: Michael & Anna, since it is your intention and desire to enter in Holy Matrimony, I ask you to please join your right hands, face one another, and express your intentions before God and His Church.

Anna, do you take Michael, here present, as your lawful husband according to the rites of our Holy Mother, the Church?

Anna: Yes, I do.

Fr. Ibay: Do you give yourself to him as his lawful wife?

Anna: Yes, I do.

Fr. Ibay: Do you accept him as your lawful husband?

Anna: Yes, I do.

Fr. Ibay: Michael, do you take Anna, here present, as your lawful wife according to the rites of our Holy Mother, the Church?

Michael: Yes, I do.

Fr. Ibay: Do you give yourself to her as her lawful husband?

Michael: Yes, I do.

Fr. Ibay: Do you accept her as your lawful wife?

Michael: Yes, I do.

WEDDING VOWS

Fr. Ibay: Now, Michael & Anna, please say your wedding vows:

The couple recites their vows to each other.

Choir: <song>

CONFIRMATION OF MARRIAGE BOND

Fr. Ibay: And I, by the authority of the Church, calling on all those present here as witnesses, confirm and bless the bond of marriage which you have contracted in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

ALL: Amen.

BLESSING OF THE RINGS, ARRHAE, BIBLE AND ROSARY

The best man brings the plate with the arrhae and the rings to the priest to be blessed.

Fr. Ibay: Michael & Anna, we shall now bless your rings. Our help is in the name of the Lord.

ALL: Who made heaven and earth.

Fr. Ibay: Bless, O Lord, Michael & Anna with sufficiency of material possessions which these arrhae symbolize so that they may use them to attain eternal life through Christ, our Lord.

ALL: Amen.

Fr. Ibay: Bless, O Lord, these rings so that Your servants, Michael & Anna who will wear them may live in mutual love and unbroken loyalty through Christ, our Lord.

ALL: Amen.

Fr. Ibay: Now give this ring to one another and say after me.

Michael: Anna, wear this ring as a sign of my love and loyalty in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Anna: Michael, wear this ring as a sign of my love and loyalty in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Michael: Anna, I give you this arrhae as a pledge of my dedication to your welfare in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Anna: And I gratefully accept them.

The bride places the arrhae on the tray held by the maid of honor. The maid of honor brings the Holy Bible and Holy Rosary to the priest to be blessed.

Fr. Ibay: Bless, O Lord, this sacred scripture. May Your Word nourish their love for You and each other, and strengthen them in their married life.

ALL: Amen.

Fr. Ibay will instruct the Bride and the Groom to place their palms over the Holy Bible.

Fr. Ibay: Michael & Anna, as husband and wife who will start a new life together, this Holy Bible where both of your palms laid down, is the foundation of a Christian home. Accept the Bible, which is the word of God. Keep this in your hearts so that you may go forth in peace, because the Word of God is the Spirit of Life, a lamp unto your feet and light unto your path.

ALL: Amen.

Father: Bless, O Lord, this Rosary, the symbol of love and unending promise of our Most Blessed Virgin Mother Mary. Grant that this may unite and protect Michael & Anna, and their new life together, through Christ, Our Lord.

ALL: Amen.

Father: Michael and Anna, accept this Rosary, to honor our Most Blessed Mother Mary, in memory of the mysteries of life, death, and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. May your lives be full of love, as the Queen of the Most Holy Rosary has loved us her

children, and your family be protected from all harm.

ALL: Amen.

The couple will now kneel.

Prayers of the Faithful

Francis: Please rise.

Fr. Ibay: Dearly beloved, let us now pray for the church and for our newly wedded couple whose marriage reflect their union with Christ, Let our response be, "Lord, graciously hear us." Please repeat.

Kevin: For the Holy Church spread over the world, for its leaders and for the rulers of our nation. Let us pray to the Lord!

ALL: "Lord, graciously hear us."

Kevin: For the poor and the sick and all those in trial and afflictions. Let us pray to the Lord!

ALL: "Lord, graciously hear us."

Kevin: For Michael & Anna, that the Lord may continue to make His presence felt throughout their married life, and that He may protect them from evil, lighten their burdens and strengthen them in their trials, let us pray to the Lord.

ALL: "Lord, graciously hear us."

Kevin: For the parents of Michael & Anna who have given much of themselves to raise their children in the way God has intended, that He may bless them with good health and peace of mind, let us pray to the Lord.

ALL: "Lord, graciously hear us."

Kevin: For all relatives and friends, that by their individual example and by the friendship we offer Michael & Anna, we may create an environment that will contribute to a fruitful and successful union for them, let us pray to the Lord.

ALL: "Lord, graciously hear us."

Kevin: For our loved ones who have gone ahead of us that they may find eternal rest and happiness in the heavenly kingdom, let us pray to the Lord.

ALL: "Lord, graciously hear us."

Fr. Ibay: Loving Father, hear these prayers we have brought to you. By the grace of the Holy Spirit, you have given us the gift of love. Continue to nurture and bless this gift in Michael & Anna and in all of us, so we may continue to live a life of service in your name and by your grace be rewarded with eternal happiness. We ask this through Christ, our Lord.

ALL: Amen.

Francis: Please be seated.

May we now request, *Maru and Kat*, to lay the veil over Michael and Anna as a symbol of unity and togetherness.

Fr. Ibay: Lord, we pray that as Michael and Anna wear this veil, may Your will preserve them from all harm; keep their hearts chaste and pure, and guide them to live their lives in fidelity and oneness of mind and heart. May they always feel Your loving presence throughout their life together.

Francis: May we now request, *Roger and Dominique*, to place the cord over the veil as symbol of God's love and conjugal unity.

Fr. Ibay: Lord, we pray that this cord be a symbol of Your immeasurable love binding Michael and Anna together, so that united in You, they may love each other in the same manner that they have been loved first by You. May this bond of love between them grow stronger through the years.

Francis: Please remain seated as we will now have the presentation of gifts.

Choir: <Offertory song>

Liturgy of the Eucharist

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS

Fr. Ibay: Blessed are You, Lord, God of all creation. Through Your goodness, we have this bread to offer, which earth has given and human

hands have made. It will become for us the Bread of Life.

ALL: Blessed be God forever.

Fr. Ibay: Blessed are You, Lord, God of all creation. Through Your goodness we have this wine to offer, fruit of vine and work of our human hands. It will become our spiritual drink

ALL: Blessed be God forever.

Fr. Ibay: Pray brethren, that our sacrifice may be acceptable to God, the Almighty Father.

ALL: May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands, for the praise and glory of His name, for our good and the good of all His Church.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Francis: Please rise. (All except the couple)

Fr. Ibay: Lord, hear our prayers and accept the gifts we offer for Michael & Anna. Today, You have made them one in the Sacrament of Marriage. May the mystery of Christ's unselfish love, which we celebrate in this Eucharist, increase their love for You and for each other. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

ALL: Amen.

Fr. Ibay: The Lord be with you.

ALL: And with your spirit.

Fr. Ibay: Lift up your hearts.

ALL: We lift them up to the Lord.

Fr. Ibay: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

ALL: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Fr. Ibay: Father, all powerful and ever living God, we do well always and everywhere to give You thanks through Jesus Christ our Lord. You have created man in love to share Your divine life. We see this high destiny in the love of husband and wife, which bears the imprint of Your own divine love. Love is man's origin, love is his constant calling and love is fulfillment in heaven. The love of man and woman is made holy in the Sacrament of Marriage, and becomes the mirror of Your everlasting love. Through Christ, the choirs of angels and all the saints praise and worship Your glory. May our voices blend with theirs as we join in their unending hymn of praise.

Choir: <Sanctus song>

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

Francis: Please kneel.

Fr. Ibay: Lord, You are holy indeed, the foundation of all holiness. Let Your Spirit come upon these gifts to make them holy so that they may become for us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Before he was given up to death He freely accepted, he took bread and gave You thanks. He broke the bread, gave it to His disciples

and said, "Take this all of you and eat it. This is my body which will be given up for you."

When supper was ended, He took the cup again, He gave You thanks and praise, gave the cup to His disciples and said, "Take this all of you and drink from it. This is the cup of my blood, the blood of the new and everlasting covenant. It will be shed for you and for all so that sins may be forgiven. Do this in memory of me."

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

Fr. Ibay: Let us proclaim the mystery of faith.

Francis: Please rise.

Choir: <Acclamation song>

Fr. Ibay: In memory of His death and resurrection, we offer You Father this life giving bread and this saving cup. We thank You for counting us worthy to stand in Your presence and serve You. May all of us who share in the body and blood of Christ be brought together in unity by the Holy Spirit.

Lord, remember Your church throughout the whole world, make us grow in love together with Benedict XVI, our Pope, Ramon Arguelles, our bishop and all the clergy.

Remember our brothers and sisters in Christ who have gone to their rest in the hope of rising again; bring them and all the departed into the light of Your presence.

Have mercy on us all; make us worthy to share eternal life with Mary, the Virgin Mother of God, who with the Apostles and with all the saints who have done Your will throughout the ages. May we praise You in union with them, and give You glory, through Your Son, Jesus Christ.

Through Him, with Him, in Him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is Yours Almighty Father, forever and ever.

Choir: <Amen Song>

Fr. Ibay: Let us pray with confidence to the Father in the words our Savior taught us.

Choir: <The Lord's Prayer>

Nuptial Blessing

Fr. Ibay: My dear friends let us ask God for His continued blessing upon Michael & Anna.

Holy Father, creator of the universe, maker of man and woman, in Your likeness, source of blessing for married life, we humbly pray to You for this man and woman who today are united in the Sacrament of Marriage.

May Your fullest blessing come upon them so that they may together rejoice in Your gifts of married love and enrich Your Church with their children. Lord, may they both praise You when they are happy and turn to You in their sorrows. May they be glad that You help in their work and know that You are with them in their needs. May they pray to You in the

community of the Church and be Your witnesses in the world. May they reach old age in the company of their friends and come at last in the kingdom of heaven. We ask this through Christ Our Lord.

ALL: Amen.

INVITATION TO PEACE

Fr. Ibay: Lord Jesus Christ, You said to Your apostles, "I leave you peace, my peace I give you." Look not on our sins, but on the faith of Your Church, and grant us the peace and unity of Your kingdom, where You live forever and ever.

ALL: Amen.

Fr. Ibay: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

ALL: And with your spirit.

Fr. Ibay: Let us offer to one another the sign of peace.

Choir: <Agnus Dei song>

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Francis: Please kneel.

Fr. Ibay: May this mingling of the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ bring eternal life to us who receive it.

This is the Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world. Happy are we who are called to His supper.

ALL: Lord, I am not worthy to receive You, but just say the word and I shall be healed.

Fr. Ibay: May the Body and Blood of Christ bring us to eternal life.

ALL: Amen.

COMMUNION

Choir: <Communion song>

Francis: May I request the secondary sponsors to please come forward to remove the cord then the veil from Michael & Anna.

Please rise.

Fr. Ibay: Almighty God, may the sacrifice we have offered and the Eucharist we have shared strengthen the love of Michael & Anna, and give us all your Fatherly aid. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

ALL: Amen.

Concluding Rites

ADMONITION

Fr. Ibay: Michael & Anna, now that you have received the Holy Sacrament of Matrimony, I admonish you to remain faithful to one another.

Anna, love Michael, your husband and be a good wife, preserver in faith, love and holiness.

Michael, love Anna, your wife, as Christ loves His Church and live with her in the holy fear of the Lord.

The Lord be with you.

ALL: **And with your spirit.**

THE SEVENFOLD BLESSING

Fr. Ibay: May the Lord bless you all the days of your life.

ALL: **Amen.**

Fr. Ibay: May He unite your hearts in an enduring bond of pure love.

ALL: **Amen.**

Fr. Ibay: May you be blessed with children and may the love that you lavish on them be returned a hundredfold.

ALL: **Amen.**

Fr. Ibay: May the peace of Christ dwell always in your hearts and in your home, may you have true friends to stand by you both in joy and in sorrow.

ALL: **Amen.**

Fr. Ibay: May you be ready with help and consolation for all those to come to you in need; and may

the blessing promised to the compassionate descend in abundance on your house.

ALL: Amen.

Fr. Ibay: May you be blessed in your work and enjoy its fruits. May worldly cares never cause distress, nor the desire for earthy possessions lead you astray, but may your heart's concern be always for the treasures laid up for you in the life of heaven.

ALL: Amen.

Fr. Ibay: May the Lord grant you fullness of years, so that you reap the harvest of a good life and after you have served Him with loyalty in His kingdom on earth, may He take you up into His eternal dominions in heaven.

ALL: Amen.

THE FINAL BLESSING

Fr. Ibay: And may the blessings of the Almighty and loving God, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit descend upon all of you and remain with you always.

ALL: Amen.

Fr. Ibay: The mass has been celebrated and new life begins for Michael & Anna. May you all go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

Fr. Ibay: Friends in Christ, may I present to you: Mr. and Mrs. Michael Nillo.

Michael, you may now kiss the bride.

SIGNING OF THE MARRIAGE CONTRACT

Francis: Please be seated for the signing of the Marriage Contract. We request the Best Man and Maid of Honor to please assist the Principal Sponsors.

Order of Pictorial

Michael and Anna with Celebrant

Michael and Anna

Michael and Anna with Bride's Parents

Michael and Anna with Both Parents

Michael and Anna with Groom's Parents

Michael and Anna with both Male and Female Principal Sponsors

Michael and Anna with Maid of Honor, Best Man, Flower Girl and Bearers

Michael and Anna with Secondary Sponsors

Michael and Anna with Bride's Immediate Family

Michael and Anna with Bride's relatives

Michael and Anna with Groom's Immediate Family

Michael and Anna with Groom's relatives

Michael and Anna with Friends and Other Guests

Recessional