Note to Prayer Partners

Dear (name of prayer partner),

Thank you for agreeing to be a prayer partner for a couple preparing for marriage at (name of parish). Your prayer is invaluable to our engaged couples during this crucial time of immediate preparation for marriage. This is a time of discernment and decision making and our engaged people can use the extra encouragement they will feel knowing you are praying for them. By marrying in the Church, couples embrace the vocation of Christian marriage, which is a call to be to be sacraments of God’s love in the community and collaborators with God in bringing new life into the world.

Please pray the following prayer each day for (names of engaged couple). They will be married at (name of church) on (date).

Oh Lord, our God and Father,

We thank you for the gift of married love.

We ask your Spirit to open the hearts of (N and N),

and we ask your Son to teach them to love.

To grow in love and communion with you and with each other

is what they desire.

Grant them the will to welcome and accept each other,

the perseverance to keep their promise to always be present to each other,

and the generosity to give unselfishly day after day.

Grant (N and N) humility to ask forgiveness and courage to forgive,

compassion to console and strength to heal.

Grant them eagerness to serve without expecting to be served.

With your help, their unity will grow to resemble your communion,

and their hearts will be filled with joy.

This we ask through your Son, Jesus.

Amen.

Please let me know if you have any questions or if I can be of help to you in this important ministry.

With deepest gratitude,

[Your name and contact information]