

## Marriage Vows

### Standard Ceremony

At the beginning of the ceremony the Superintendent will greet the guests and ask if anyone has a legal objection to the marriage.

There are two sets of vows, which each party will repeat a few words at a time after the superintendent. The first vows are the declaratory vows, or the declaration of no impediment:

*"I do solemnly declare that I know not of any lawful impediment why I, AB, may not be joined in matrimony to CD."*

The second vows are called the contracting vows. These will also be repeated a few words at a time after the superintendent. If the couple wish to exchange rings, this will be done here.

*"I call upon these persons here present to witness that I, AB, do take thee, CD, to be my lawful wedded wife (or husband)."*

Once the vows have been completed the superintendent will announce that the couple are joined in marriage. The newly married couple will then go on to sign the marriage register.