

When He instituted the Holy Eucharist, Jesus Christ instituted, also, Holy Orders when He said, "Do this in commemoration of Me."

134. *Who confers the Sacrament of Holy Orders?*

Only the Pope and Bishops confer the Sacrament of Holy Orders.

135. *How does a man become a Priest?*

He receives the Sacrament of Holy Orders at the hands of the Bishop; there he receives the power and grace to dispense the Word of God and administer the Sacraments.

XVI. MATRIMONY

136. *What is Matrimony?*

Matrimony is a Sacrament which sanctifies the union of man and woman.

137. *What are the effects of the Sacrament of Matrimony?*

The effects of the Sacrament of Matrimony are—1st. To sanctify the love of husband and wife; 2nd. To give them grace to bear with each other's weaknesses; 3rd. To enable them to bring up their children in the fear and love of God.

138. *What should young people do in order to make a good marriage?*

They should first pray to

God to find their proper consorts; they should also consult their parents.

139. *How should parents act when they know their children's intentions?*

They should consult the will of God and advise their children in accordance with that divine will.

140. *What does God forbid to parents in regard to their children's marriage?*

God expressly forbids parents to sell their children in Matrimony; to prevent them, unreasonably, from marrying the party they have chosen, and to compel them to marry another party against their will.

141. *When a couple have agreed to get married, what shall they do?*

They must not live together until they are married before the Priest; their banns should be published on three consecutive Sundays; they should duly prepare for marriage by learning all their prayers and the Catechism.

142. *Does the Church forbid marriage between certain persons?*

Yes; the Church forbids marriage between certain persons who are prevented from marrying by some impediments.

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