



A Time for Healing Worksheet

The ending of any marriage is a traumatic experience. The adjustments which follow can either be positive or negative; but always difficult. One of the ways the Catholic Church offers help to those who have gone through a divorce, is to achieve healing and closure through a Petition for a Declaration of Nullity of Marriage. To begin this journey of healing, please complete and return this worksheet in a sealed envelope to the parish office.

Are you a registered member of Our Lady of the Rosary Catholic Church? \_\_\_\_\_

Please Print

Form with fields for First, Middle, Last Name, Maiden Name, Address, City, State, Zip, E-mail, Religion, Best Phone Number to Reach You, Is this a cell number?, Was this your first marriage? If not, how many times have you been married?

Name of Your Former Spouse: Form with fields for First, Middle, Last Name, Maiden Name, Date of Marriage, If marriage took place in Catholic Church, Religion of Former Spouse, Date of Final Divorce Decree, Was this his/her first marriage? If not, how many times has he/she been married?

Complete information on each previous marriage in blocks titled Petitioner\*

Complete information on each previous marriage in blocks titled Respondent\*\*

\* Petitioners (Your) Previous Marriage(s)

\*\* Previous Marriage(s) of Respondent (former spouse)

Form box for Petitioner's previous marriage(s) with fields for name, date, religion, and nullity information.

Form box for Respondent's previous marriage(s) with fields for name, date, religion, and nullity information.

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Form box for Respondent's previous marriage(s) with fields for name, date, religion, and nullity information.

If you have since married another person, please provide the following information:

_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Date of Marriage	First	Middle	Last Name	Maiden Name
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Religion	Has he/she ever married before?	If yes, how many times?		
Is his/her former spouse(s) still living? ____ If yes, has he/she received a Declaration of Nullity ____ if yes, what is the protocol No. _____				
Please provide name, city and state of Diocese and Marriage Tribunal _____				

*A Petition for a Declaration of Nullity of Marriage can take up to a year or longer from the time all paperwork and documents are submitted to the Tribunal. It is and remains the policy of the Tribunal, in the Diocese of St. Petersburg, not to accept a 'Petition for a Declaration of Nullity of Marriage' until one year has elapsed from the date the final divorce decree was granted. When two or more marriages have ended in divorce, whether in or outside the Catholic Church, it is the policy of the Tribunal not to accept these petitions until at least two years have elapsed from the date of the most recent divorce. (Since November 10, 1989)*

*If Catholic, you will need to obtain a **recently dated Baptismal Certificate with Notations** from the Catholic Church where you were baptized. The certificate must be dated in the last six months and carry a church seal. If any former spouse(s) was Catholic, please provide a recently dated baptismal certificate dated within the last six months with Notations. If not Catholic, a copy of your original baptismal certificate is sufficient.*

#### REQUIRED DOCUMENTS:

*All previous marriage(s) are submitted and reviewed at the same time to the Marriage Tribunal. Each marriage requires the following documentation:*

- **Copy of Marriage License** (from the state where you were married)
- **Copy of Marriage Certificate** (if marriage took place in a Catholic Church)
- **Copy of Final Divorce Decree**
- **Copy of Death Certificate** (if applicable)
- **Copy of the Declaration of Nullity** (if applicable)
- **Copy of Marriage License** (if currently married, from the state where you were married)

*Return the completed Worksheet, in a sealed envelope, to the parish office*

*You will be contacted and a meeting will be set up to discuss the next steps in this process.*

*God Bless You on this Journey!*