

*Mothers' Union Membership Service, to be led by Parish Priest or Mothers' Union office holder ideally within Sunday worship*

## **ADMISSION OF NEW MEMBERS**

**Priest:** Will the members of the Mothers' Union please stand.

The Aim, Purpose and Mission of the Mothers' Union are read out by the **Branch Leader** or a member:

**Our Aim & Purpose** is to demonstrate the Christian faith in action by the transformation of communities worldwide through the nurture of the family in its many forms.

### **Our Mission is:**

To promote and support married life  
To encourage parents in their role to develop the faith of their children  
To maintain a worldwide fellowship of Christians united in prayer, worship and service  
To promote conditions in society favourable to stable family life and the protection of children  
To help those whose family life has met with adversity

### **Priest:**

Membership of the worldwide Mothers' Union is open to all who have been baptised in the name of the Holy Trinity and who declare support for the Aim and Purpose of the Mothers' Union.

I ask both **new** and **present members** to join in affirming their commitment to the Mothers' Union.

Do you reaffirm your baptism promises?

**All: I do, with God's help.**

### **Priest:**

Will you try to uphold and support the Aim, Purpose and Mission of the Mothers' Union?

**All: I will with God's help.**

### **Priest:**

Will you continue to plan your life to include prayer and Bible reading and worship in Church?

**All: I will, by the grace of God.**

### **Priest:**

Name(s).....

I admit you to membership of the Mothers' Union in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Each new member is given a membership card and badge by the branch leader.

If members have moved from another branch/diocese, include the following:

**Priest:** We welcome (name/s).....

From .....

**Priest:** Members of the Mothers' Union, will you welcome, support and pray for each other?

**All; We will, in the power of the Spirit.**

**Priest:** We commit ourselves to the work of Jesus Christ through our membership, saying together the Mothers' Union Prayer:

**All: Loving Lord, we thank you for your love so freely given to us all.**

**We pray for families around the world.**

**Bless the work of the Mothers' Union as we seek to share your love through the encouragement, strengthening and support of marriage and family life.**

**Empowered by your Spirit, may we be united in prayer and worship, and in love and service reach out as your hands across the world.**

**In Jesus' name. Amen**

**Mothers' UNION**  
Christian care for families