

IRISH WEDDING SAYINGS

From the Groom

I vow you the first cut of my meat, the first sip of my wine,
from this day it shall only your name I cry out in the night
and into your eyes that I smile each morning;
I shall be a shield for you back as you are for mine,
no shall a grievous word be spoken about us,
for our marriage is sacred between us and no stranger
shall hear my grievance.
Above and beyond this, I will cherish and honor you
through this life
and into the next.

From the Bride

May you never steal, lie or cheat.
But if you must steal, then steal away my sorrows.
And if you must lie, lie with me all the nights of my
life.
And if you must cheat, then please cheat death,
because I couldn't live a day without you.