



# PUTTING IT INTO PRACTICE:

Roll for  
Wedding?

# Scenerio

You've been asked to lead a reflection at the surprise vow renewal of a couple who met in your church's Dungeons & Dragons small group. They want the reflection/homily from you to include specific references to their D&D characters (a cleric and a dragonborn rogue) and the spiritual themes of their 14-year campaign.

You've never played D&D yourself, but they've asked you to make it "pastoral, moving, and nerdy."

## 1

# The Art of Ministry Prompting

Fill in the four parts.

- Context: What background details are essential (Scripture/theme, denomination, theology, audience, location, occasion)?
- Persona Priming: Who should the AI "be" in this moment? (Pastor, officiant, chaplain, celebrant?)
- Tone: What emotional posture fits best (pastoral, joyful, reverent, playful)?
- Constraints: What boundaries will make it usable? (Length, format, must-include, avoid, closing element?)

Using Solace AI, write a one-paragraph prompt that includes all four

# 2 Chain-of-Thought Prompting

Don't jump straight to the final draft.

**Write 3–5 guiding steps that help the AI reason with you.**

**Use these questions to help:**

1. What pastoral and emotional needs are present in this moment?
2. How might the fruits of the Spirit connect to the imagery of a long D&D campaign?
3. How can a cleric and a rogue illustrate two different but faithful approaches to love and community?

**Chain-of-Thought Questions:**

**1.**

**2.**

**3.**

**4.**

**5.**

# 3 Advanced Persona Priming

**Add depth to your persona. Imagine:**

- You've never played D&D, but you want to respect the couple's love for it.
- Your congregation has mixed familiarity (some lifelong gamers, some who've never touched dice).
- You are a pastor in [your tradition/denomination], serving in [your setting: urban, rural, multi-generational, etc.].

***Write 2–3 details that make the persona authentic and pastoral.***

**Detail 1:**

**Detail 2:**

**Detail 3:**

**Using all the information, write a short homily using Solace AI for the renewal of vows.**

# 4 Praxis Reflection Questions

1. What context details did you realize were essential to include?
2. How did naming a persona change the way the AI would speak?
3. What role did tone play in shaping the feel of the reflection?
4. Which constraints kept your prompt clear and practical?
5. How did chain-of-thought steps help you think more pastorally?
6. How did advanced persona priming (like naming your lack of D&D knowledge) make the response more inclusive?