

Topics will include

- Week 1** Marriage Preparation as a Catechetical and Evangelizing Moment
- Week 2** Church Teachings on Marriage & Family
- Week 3** Spirituality of Marriage
- Week 4** Communication/Conflict Resolution
- Week 5** Spirituality of Family/Parenting/ Family of Origin

Course Requirements

- Weekly Readings
- Reflection Questions
- Online Discussion
- Participation in a Diocesan Marriage Preparation Session
- Concluding Onsite Session at a Predetermined Location

Online Sessions: 5 weeks

Session I: Weeks of October 19, 2009 through November 16, 2009

Session II: Weeks of January 11, 2010 through February 8, 2010

Session III: Weeks of April 12, 2010 through May 10, 2010

Please forward the completed registration form to Cindy Holmes, The Office of Faith Formation, Diocese of Rockville Centre, P.O. Box 9023, Rockville Centre, NY 11571-9023. Payment must accompany registration. Make check payable to the Office of Faith Formation.

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Total enclosed: \$ _____

ONLINE Marriage Preparation Training for Parish Facilitators

This online training is designed to broaden both the new and experienced marriage facilitator's understanding of marriage in the Catholic tradition, as well as explore specific components of marriage preparation (Pre Cana) in accordance with the Diocesan Marriage Preparation Policy (2008).



Marriage is a sacrament and vocation embracing God's grace to build up the Body of Christ. It is through the entire preparation process, from their initial meeting with a priest or deacon, that engaged couples come to a deeper understanding of marriage as a sacrament.

General Course Objectives

- To assist the participant to explore the sacramental nature of marriage
- To read and review the Church's teaching on marriage and family
- To gain an appreciation of the Christian celebration of marriage
- To identify and be able to implement each of the necessary components of a marriage preparation program (as outlined in the Diocese of Rockville Centre Marriage Preparation Policy 2008)
- To discern the essential qualities of those individuals involved in marriage ministry

Course Materials

- A Decision To Love (Leader's Guide) – Twenty – Third Publications
- Diocese of Rockville Centre Marriage Preparation Policy (2008)
- Plan Your Family Naturally* (DVD) – Diocese of Rockville Centre
- When Two Become One* (DVD) – Diocese of Rockville Centre

Facilitator: Kathleen Logan, Associate Director – Family Ministry

Cost

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| \$50 per person; \$75 per couple (shared materials);
Closed parish session \$400 (8 – 15 participants); | Out of Diocese of Rockville Centre
\$60 per person; \$85 per couple;
\$450 per parish (8 – 15 participants). |
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*Course Materials are included in the registration cost, all other readings and resources will be online.

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