



ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER CATHOLIC CHURCH

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A Gifted, Sharing Family

Dear Engaged Couple,

Congratulations on your decision to prepare for marriage in the Catholic Church! We eagerly welcome the opportunity to help you get a good start in this life-long process of growing in appreciation and expression of God's unconditional love through your marriage commitment.

As you may expect, there are a number of steps to take in this process of celebrating God's working in your lives. Some of these steps will involve addressing the dynamics in your relationship with each other, with the church, and with God. Obviously, other steps will involve planning the wedding ceremony. We believe the first set of steps to be the more important in terms of lasting meaning and purpose for the rest of your lives.

The preparation will involve meeting with the priest or deacon who will mentor you and preside at the ceremony. Also, there will be a weekend retreat and series of sessions with a companion couple. We have included the requirement page for a quick listing of the preparation process. More details of these steps will be spelled out at your first meeting along with a workbook that will include all the details needed concerning your wedding.

Enclosed you will find the following forms:

- Marriage information – bride and groom forms
- Wedding contract
- Requirements

Your next steps:

- Please fill the enclosed forms out as complete as possible. These should be presented, along with a check made out to "St. Joseph the Worker" for the applicable amount listed on the marriage contract, and given to Deacon John Wallin at your first visit.
- Please contact Deacon John Wallin to set your initial visit.
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God bless you in the most significant time in your life.

Sincerely,

The wedding Prep Team

● Please note that the date for your wedding ceremony will not be guaranteed until we receive the contract with your payment (check) to "St. Joseph the Worker" and the date has been verified through Deacon John Wallin.