



The program fee of \$150 per couple covers the cost of materials, lunch, and refreshments. Fee payment must accompany your registration form, and once we receive this, your spot will be secure. A \$35 non-refundable administrative fee is charged if you cancel your registration less than ten working days before your scheduled date. If you do not attend and do not inform us in advance, there is no refund.

You will receive confirmation of your registration by e-mail, if you provide an e-mail address.

A letter will be mailed to you from the Office of Family Life approximately two weeks before the program date, including a schedule for the day.

To receive a certificate of attendance, participants are required to attend the entire day-long program.

The State of Minnesota recognizes the value of marriage preparation. Couples who complete at least 12 hours of pre-marital education receive a significant reduction on their marriage license fee. A certificate from your parish is needed to receive the fee reduction. To receive a certificate from your parish, participants must attend all scheduled sessions.

*God bless you as you prepare for the
Sacrament of Marriage.*

Schedule of Dates

January 11, 2025
March 8, 2025
April 5, 2025
September 13, 2025

All scheduled dates will be held at the
Church of St Catherine
900 E. Flynn Street, Redwood Falls, MN.



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Marriage Preparation Program

2025



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The diocesan Marriage Preparation Program is designed specifically for engaged couples. It is time set aside for engaged couples to explore and strengthen their relationship.

Through presentations given during each day-long program, engaged couples are challenged to reflect individually and to dialogue privately with each other about key aspects of married life: **commitment** (the meaning of sacramental marriage), **communication** (including intimacy and sexuality issues), **conflict** (including gender and personality issues, addictions, and the appropriate expression of anger), **children** (including natural family planning and parenting), **career** (including financial planning, work, and lifestyle issues), and **church** (spirituality, faith, and interfaith issues). The objective is discovery through honest communication.

The presentations are given by married couples and individuals trained for this ministry. The presenters are motivated by their concern for engaged couples and by their desire to strengthen marriage and family life. They generously share their experience regarding the joys and challenges of marriage and family life.

Program registration begins on a Saturday at 8:30 a.m. with the first presentation scheduled for 9:00 a.m. and ends at approximately 6:30 p.m. All scheduled dates are conducted at the Church of St. Catherine in Redwood Falls (900 E. Flynn Street). The number of registrants for each program is limited so please register early. Please indicate a second choice that is later than your first choice and is more than one month prior to your wedding.

Diocese of New Ulm —Marriage Preparation Program Registration Form

Bride's Name _____ Age _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

Religion _____ Parish & City _____

1st Marriage ☐ Yes ☐ No Children ☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, list ages _____

If not 1st marriage please check one of the options below:

☐ Widowed Annulment: ☐ Yes, in Diocese of _____ Case # _____ ☐ No

Groom's Name _____ Age _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

Religion _____ Parish & City _____

1st Marriage ☐ Yes ☐ No Children ☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, list ages _____

If not 1st marriage please check one of the options below:

☐ Widowed Annulment: ☐ Yes, in Diocese of _____ Case # _____ ☐ No

Priest and/or Deacon assisting you _____

Wedding Date _____ at Church & City _____

Concerns you hope the program will address _____

Physical or dietary needs _____

Program Dates - A 1st & 2nd choice is required. Your 2nd choice, as an alternative date, must be later than your 1st choice and more than one month prior to your wedding date.

☐ January 11, 2025

☐ March 8, 2025

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