

Catholic Marriage Preparation in 5 Easy Steps:

1 Arrange for meetings with your parish priest or deacon (at least) 6 months before your wedding.

3 Select and Attend one of the following premarital retreats at least 4-6 months before the wedding.

- Engagement Encounter
- Pre-Cana
- NOVA (for remarriage)

2 Complete the FOCCUS Inventory—a discussion tool used by the diocese of Erie to optimize the marriage preparation process.

Choose one of the following:

ENGAGEMENT ENCOUNTER

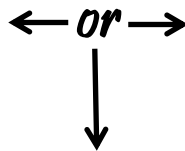


One weekend to help you learn the value of:

- ♥ building a strong relationship
- ♥ inviting God into your marriage
- ♥ important skills to make love last!



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NOVA



A one-day retreat for those who:

- ♥ were previously married
- ♥ are free to remarry in the Church
- ♥ are blending families of any ages
- ♥ desire to have a satisfying successful marriage

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PRE-CANA



One- or two-day sessions that contain:

- ♥ practical wisdom
- ♥ useful tools
- ♥ peace in the midst of the planning

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4 Learn more about Natural Family Planning—Discover a natural way to plan for or postpone pregnancy using scientifically proven and Church-approved methods.
Visit: www.erieRCD.org/NFP.htm

5 Plan your wedding ceremony with your priest or deacon.

To view or print any retreat schedule, scan QR code or visit: erieRCD.org/familylifeoffice.htm
To request a print copy of a schedule, call the Family Life Office at: 814-824-1265



Congratulations on Your Engagement!

Preparing for your Marriage in the Diocese of Erie

The Catholic Church wants to provide you with a strong foundation for a successful and enriching Christian marriage.



As you begin the journey toward your wedding day, please remember to follow these important steps before your marriage begins. . .

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