

Some parishes have developed their own marriage preparation programmes. Regular sessions are held with the engaged couple and cover aspects of marriage.

Contact phone numbers for these parishes are as follows:

SOUTH ISLAND

Blenheim, St Mary's	03 578 0038
Nelson, St Mary's	04 539 1251
Westport, St Canice	03 789 8615

WAIRARAPA – WELLINGTON

Masterton, St Patrick's	06 378 2028
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DIFFERENT LANGUAGES

If you would like your marriage preparation to be presented in your own language, please call us to discuss options available.



Information

All courses in this brochure are approved and supported by the Archbishop of Wellington

For all enquiries contact: The Archdiocesan Marriage Programs Co-ordinator 04 496 1719 marriage@wn.catholic.org.nz Website: www.wn.catholic.org.nz







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Catholic Marriage Preparation Archdiocese of Wellington



The Catholic Church congratulates you on your decision to marry!

Our aim is to give you knowledge and skills in order that you might make your marriage the best possible.

The transition from single life or a cohabiting relationship to marriage is an exciting and challenging one.

Working as a team your priest and the marriage educators will:

- Offer you some insight into the dynamics of intimate relationships.
- Provide an understanding of the Sacramental nature of Christian marriage.
- Take a realistic look at the challenges of commitment and offer you some strategies for success.
- Establish the concept of lifelong relationship education.

If you are preparing for a second time marriage there are specific issues you will be facing. An experienced couple can work with you in your marriage preparation to address these issues.



Preparing for your Marriage

There are two phases to marriage preparation:

- 1. COMMIT inventory programme
- 2. A group course of your choosing

Commit

COMMIT is an inventory-based programme conducted over two sessions (one hour each). It is an opportunity for a couple to reflect on their relationship at a moment in time, identifying strengths, challenges and areas of growth. This is an excellent beginning to your group marriage preparation sessions.

COMMIT can be arranged with a facilitator for a time which suits you.

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A group programme run over two Sundays. Building strong foundations for a lasting marriage Venue: Connolly Hall, Guildford Terrace, Thorndon, Wellington 10.00am-4.00pm Times: \$130.00 per couple Cost: Dates: March 5 and 12 June 11 and 18 August 13 and 20 October 1 and 8 November 26 and December 3 Contact: The Marriage Programs Co-ordinator 04 496 1719 marriage@wn.catholic.org.nz

Engaged Encounter

A group course over a weekend. Quality time together. Real life experience shared by married couples. Relationship education. Communication tools. Dates: March 18–19 July 22–23 November 11–12 Venue: St Teresa's Church, 301 Karori Road, Karori Contact: Simon and Kate Olsen 04 801 6192 simonolsen@gmail.com www.ceewellington.org.nz