## Parish Programmes

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, Kaikoura and
Picton (Star of the Sea Parish)

Nelson, Holy Family Parish

03 578 0038

03 539 1251

#### **WAIRARAPA - WELLINGTON**

Masterton, St Patrick's 06 378 2028

#### **DIFFERENT LANGUAGES**

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



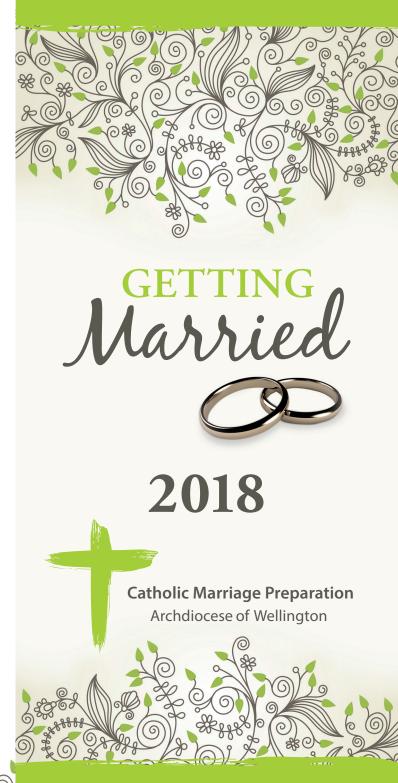
# Information

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

For all enquiries contact:

The Archdiocesan Marriage Programs Coordinator 04 496 1719 marriage@wn.catholic.org.nz

Website: www.wn.catholic.org.nz





### Congratulations

# 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 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.

Contact: The Marriage Programs Coordinator

04 496 1719 marriage@wn.catholic.org.nz



A group programme run over two Sundays. Building strong foundations for a lasting marriage.

Venue: Connolly Hall, Guildford Terrace,

Thorndon, Wellington

Times: 10.00am-4.00pm

Cost: \$130.00 per couple

Dates: March 4 and 11

June 10 and 17

August 12 and 19 October 7 and 14

November 18 and 25

Contact: The Marriage Programs Coordinator

04 496 1719 marriage@wn.catholic.org.nz

### **Engaged Encounter**

A weekend course to plan your marriage.

Quality time with your partner.

Real life experience shared by married couples.

Relationship education.

Communication tools.

Dates: 17–18 March

14-15 July

3-4 November

Venue: St Teresa's Presbytery, 301 Karori Road,

Karori, Wellington.

Cost: \$180 per couple

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