

Marriage Preparation

Initial Interview with Diane Wickersheim, Pastoral Associate

- Begin to complete “Pre-nuptial Investigation form” with assessment of freedom to marry. This is a questionnaire asking for basic information.
- Overview of the preparation process and discuss any questions you may have at this time

FOCCUS (Facilitating Open Couple Communication Understanding Study)

- This study is completed online individually by each of you. Diane, Pastoral Associate will assign a FOCCUS couple after your initial meeting. The FOCCUS couple will contact you to explain and begin the process. They will meet with you and discuss your study results. The study is a tool for discussion between both of you and the FOCCUS couple.
- You are given a completion certificate to return to the Sherwood parish office for your file.

Two-Part Seminar Classes “A Marriage in The Lord”

A Marriage in The Lord is a two-part marriage preparation series. These sessions strengthen the practical skills needed for a lifelong happy, healthy and holy marriage.

- Part 1 – One day program (Saturdays 9 am – 3 pm) locations in the Diocese (see enclosed)
- Part 2 – Natural Family Planning (NFP) Two-hour session at various times and places.
- Completion certificates are given. Return to the Sherwood parish office for your file.

Final Interview with Fr. Mike Betley

- Finish completion of the Pre-nuptial Investigation form
- Ceremony – walk through liturgy
- Rehearsal date & time
- \$75 stipend for use of facility
- Marriage License