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As the family goes, so goes the nation, and so goes the whole world in which we live.

- ST. JOHN PAUL II

Homily, Nov. 30, 1986, Perth, Australia

In case you aren't already aware, re-read that quote and let this sink in: what you are doing - *marriage formation* - is of immeasurable importance.

During this time of engagement, which can be both joyous and a bit stressful, the Church is here to support you. Your parish and the larger *Diocese of Manchester Family Life Ministries* staff is honored to help you "form a home of your own."

Guided by experienced Catholic couples and a proven formation program, our *Engaged Couple Course* will help you strengthen your relationship and deepen your faith in Christ so you are better positioned to live Christian marriage and family life well.

We look forward to serving you!

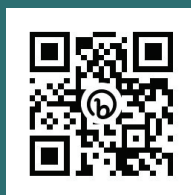


TO REGISTER

Please contact your local Diocese of Manchester parish.

The registration fee is **\$175** and includes a keepsake marriage formation box containing specially curated resources for engaged couples of the Diocese of Manchester.

For a listing of parishes and contact information, visit:



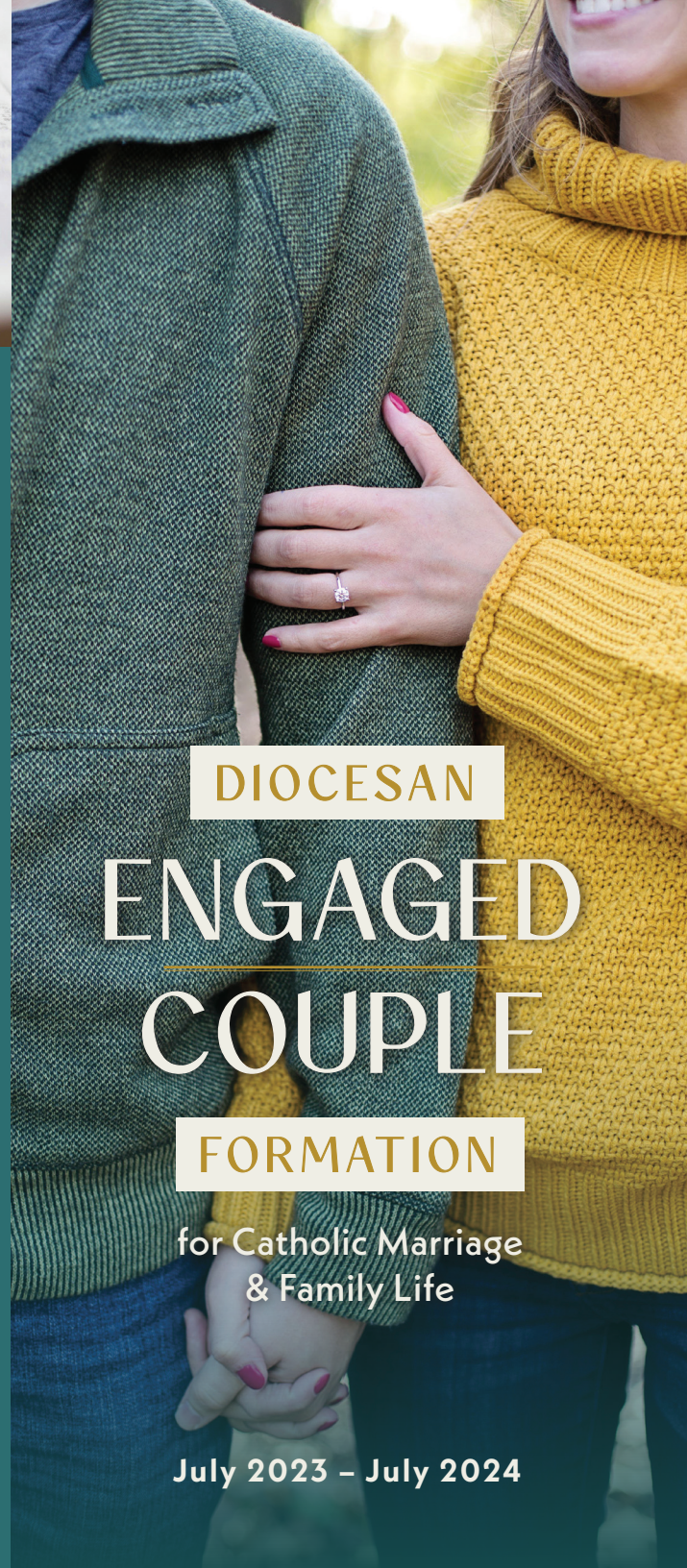
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ENGAGED COUPLE

FORMATION

for Catholic Marriage
& Family Life

July 2023 – July 2024



Data from our anonymous post-participation survey has been overwhelmingly positive. Out of approximately 100 responses, results show:

98%

This experience and the program materials have given me practical tools I will continue to use beyond the course.

96%

I now have a better understanding of the Catholic Church's teaching on marriage and the Sacrament of Matrimony.

97%

This experience and the course materials have enhanced my relationship with my fiancé and better prepared me for marriage.

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I feel closer to my fiancé and God after this course. We feel refreshed and prepared for marriage.

UPCOMING COURSES:

2023

July 5, 6, 12, 13, 19 (*virtual*)

September 15–16 (*in-person*)
Immaculate Heart of Mary, Concord

December 1–2 (*in-person*)
Immaculate Conception, Nashua

2024

January 19–20 (*in-person*)
St. Catherine of Siena, Manchester

January 30, February 1, 6, 8, 13 (*virtual*)

March 5, 7, 12, 14, 19 (*virtual*)

April 12–13 (*in-person*)
Divine Mercy, Peterborough

May 17–18 (*in-person*)
St. Thomas Aquinas, Derry

July 9, 11, 16, 18, 23 (*virtual*)



HERE'S WHAT PAST PARTICIPANTS HAVE SAID:

“We always knew we wanted to get married in the Catholic Church, but we now have insight into how to live our faith through our marriage and future family.”

“This course sparked conversations between my fiancé and I that we haven't had before - it was beautiful!”

“Some of the questions to talk about inspired deeper conversations for us. NFP is something we wanted to learn more about, so we enjoyed that lesson.”

“The instructors were absolutely fantastic, they showed passion, experience... they need to keep doing this!”

“We couldn't ask for a better marriage preparation program!”