

MEMO

TO: Pastors, Deacons, and Parish Life Coordinators
FROM: Office of Worship
DATE: December 1, 2011
RE: 2011-2012 Schedule for Diocesan Marriage Preparation



All parishes in the diocese are responsible for preparing couples for the celebration of the Sacrament of Marriage and the lifetime commitment that entails. One of the diocesan requirements for the engaged couple is to attend a Pre-Cana.

Pre-Cana is an opportunity for married couples from parishes across the diocese to share the knowledge and wisdom they have gained from living in a committed relationship and to give presentations on various topics to educate and support the engaged couple as they prepare to enter into marriage. Pre-Cana is mandatory because the vocation of marriage is taken very seriously in the Catholic Church.

We are in the process of compiling the Marriage Preparation/Pre-Cana offerings for 2011-2012. If you offer Marriage Preparation/Pre-Cana opportunities in your parish or cluster, please complete the bottom portion of this form. Please make additional copies if you hold more than one Pre-Cana session.

*If you are not currently offering Marriage Preparation sessions in your parish or cluster, please consider doing so. This is a wonderful opportunity to share a ministry within clustered parishes. The pooled resources from clustered parishes would enhance the Pre-Cana experience for all involved. **All of the material needed to conduct a Marriage Preparation session should be obtained from the Office of Worship.***

Please complete the bottom portion of this form and return it to:

Pre-Cana
Office of Worship
2620 Lebanon Avenue
Belleville, IL 62221

or feel free to e-mail the information to worship@diobelle.org or fax to (618) 257-2969. This form can also be downloaded from the Office of Worship's website at www.officeofworship.catholicweb.com. Questions? (618) 235-9601 ext 1462.

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DATE OF PRE-CANA SESSION: _____

HOSTING PARISH(ES) : _____

CITY: _____

LOCATION OF SESSION: _____

CONTACT PERSON: _____ **HM #** _____ **WK/CELL#** _____

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