

# 2018 Parish Marriage Preparation Calendar

*Marriage consecrated by God preserves that bond between man and woman that God has blessed ever since the creation of the world; and it is a source of peace and good for all married and family life.*

*Pope Francis 4/29/15*



The list below provides options for parish-based marriage preparation programs for 2018 in the diocese of Portland, ME.

The first step in preparing for your marriage is to talk with the priest or deacon who will help you prepare for your wedding so you can lock in a date and a Church for your ceremony. Tell him which program you would like to attend. Then, contact the person listed to get more information about that particular program, and to register.

These programs are usually offered once a year. When multiple dates are listed, couples attend all sessions in order to complete the preparation program.

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## All Saints Parish, Brunswick

**Weekend of February 9 & 10, 2018**

Friday 6:00pm to Saturday 4:00pm

St Charles Borromeo Church

**Contact:** Ann Carlton; [ann.carlton@portlanddiocese.org](mailto:ann.carlton@portlanddiocese.org) or 725-2624

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## Portland Peninsula & Island Parishes

**Each Sunday in Lent: February 18, 25 March 4, 11, 18, 25, 2018 and April 8, 2018**

Couples attend all sessions

6:00-8:30 pm – dinner included

Msgr. Dimingo Hall at St. Peter Church, Portland

**Contact:** Carolyn Mitchell; [Carolyn.Mitchell@portlanddiocese.org](mailto:Carolyn.Mitchell@portlanddiocese.org) or 207-773-7746, Ext. 110

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## Good Shepherd Parish, Saco

**February 17, 24 March 3, 10, 2018 from 9:00am-12:00pm**

**March 24 1:30pm -7:30pm (includes Mass and dinner)**

Most Holy Trinity Parish Hall, Saco

Couples attend all sessions.

**Contact:** Kim Perrigo; [Kim.Perrigo@portlanddiocese.org](mailto:Kim.Perrigo@portlanddiocese.org)

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## St. John Vianney Parish, Fort Kent

**March 3, 10, 17, 24, 2018**

Sessions begin with 4:00pm Mass till 8:00pm at St. Louis Church, Fort Kent

**Dinner is provided**

Couples attend all sessions.

**Contact:** Fr. Jean-Paul Labrie at [jean-paul.labrie@portlanddiocese.org](mailto:jean-paul.labrie@portlanddiocese.org) OR  
Deacon Luis & Julie Sanclemente at [sanclemente@fairpoint.net](mailto:sanclemente@fairpoint.net)

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## Notre Dame du Mont Carmel Parish, Madawaska

**Weekend of March 9-11, 2018**

Christian Life Center, Frenchville

**Contact:** Charles Collin; [ccollin@msad3.org](mailto:ccollin@msad3.org)

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## Holy Trinity Parish, Lisbon Falls (Prince of Peace, Lewiston)

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**March 3, 2018 Meet & Greet Social and  
6 Saturdays: March 10, 17, 24 April 7, 14, 21, 2018 (Snow date April 28, 2018)  
4:00pm to 8:30pm Dinner is included**  
Couples attend all sessions  
Holy Trinity Parish Hall  
**Contact:** Fr. Steven Cartwright, [www.princeofpeace.me](http://www.princeofpeace.me) or 777-1200 Ext. 207

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### **St. Paul the Apostle Parish, Bangor**

**March 2 & 3, 2018 Snow date March 9 & 10, 2018**  
St. Joseph Hall, Brewer  
**Contact:** Mary Brown; [mary.brown@portlanddiocese.org](mailto:mary.brown@portlanddiocese.org)

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### **Sebago Lakes Region Parishes**

**6 Wednesdays: May 16,23,30 June 6,13,30**  
6:00 pm-8:30 pm Dinner is included  
Couples attend all sessions  
St. Anthony Parish Hall, Westbrook  
**Contact:** Kris Torrey; [kris.torrey@portlanddiocese.org](mailto:kris.torrey@portlanddiocese.org) or 207-857-0490, Ext. 23

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### **St. Michael Parish, Augusta**

**Saturday and Sunday, May 19 & 20, 2018**  
8:30 am – 7:30 pm Saturday, and 8:30 am-12:30 pm Sunday  
St. Augustine Hall  
**Contact:** Gail Gould; [Gail.Gould@portlanddiocese.org](mailto:Gail.Gould@portlanddiocese.org)

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### **St. Maximilian Kolbe Parish, Scarborough**

**7 Sundays September 9, 16, 23, 30 and October 7, 14, 21, 2018**  
5:00 pm - 7:30 pm Dinner is included  
Couples attend all sessions  
St. Maximilian Kolbe Parish Hall  
150 Black Point Road, Scarborough  
**Contact:** Lesley Hurley [lesleyahurley@gmail.com](mailto:lesleyahurley@gmail.com)

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### **Online Marriage Preparation Programs:**

Catholic Marriage Preparation from the Archdiocese of Chicago <http://catholicmarriageprepclass.com/>  
Agape Catholic Ministries from Colorado Springs <http://www.catholicmarriageprep.com/>

### **Other possibilities in New England**

Engaged Encounter weekends <http://www.engagedencounter.org/index.php>  
Archdiocese of Boston Marriage Preparation  
<http://www.bostoncatholic.org/Offices-And-Services/Office-Detail.aspx?id=11654&pid=478>  
Also in the Boston area:  
Espousal Retreat House & Conference Center, Waltham MA: [www.espousal.org](http://www.espousal.org)  
Paulist Center, Boston: [www.paulistboston.com](http://www.paulistboston.com)

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*“Not only man as such, not only woman as such, but rather man and woman, as a couple,  
are the image of God. The difference between them is not a question of contrast or subordination,  
but instead of communion and generation, always in the image and semblance of God.*

*Pope Francis 4/15/15*

