

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 2017 in the diocese of Portland, ME. It can be found on the diocesan web-site at <http://portlanddiocese.org/marriage>

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.

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 or 725-2624

Portland Peninsula & Island Parishes

Each Sunday in Lent: February 18, 25 March 4, 11, 18, 25

Couples attend all sessions

6:00-8:30 pm – dinner included

Msgr. Dimgo Hall at St. Peter Church, Portland

Contact: Carolyn Mitchell; Carolyn.Mitchell@portlanddiocese.org or 207-773-7746, Ext. 110

Good Shepherd Parish, Saco

February 17, 24 March 3, 10, 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

St. John Vianney Parish

First Saturday for 4 months: March 3, April 7, May 5, June 2, 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 OR

Deacon Luis & Julie Sanclemente at sanclemente@fairpoint.net

Notre Dame du Mont Carmel

Weekend of March 9-11, 2018

Christian Life Center, Frenchville, Maine

Contact: Charles Collin; ccollin@msad3.org

St. Paul the Apostle Parish

March 2 & 3, 2018 Snow date March 9 & 10, 2018

St. Joseph Hall, Brewer

Contact: Mary Brown; mary.brown@portlanddiocese.org

Sebago Lakes Region Parishes

6 Wednesdays May 16,23,30 June 6,13,30

6:00pm-8:30pm Dinner is included

Couples attend all sessions

St. Anthony Parish Hall, Westbrook

Contact: Kris Torrey; kris.torrey@portlanddiocese.org or 207-857-0490, Ext. 23

St. Michael Parish, Augusta

Saturday and Sunday, May 19 & 20

8:30 am – 7:30 Saturday, and 8:30 am-12:30 pm Sunday

St. Augustine Hall

Contact: Gail Gould; Gail.Gould@portlanddiocese.org

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>

*“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.*

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