



PreCana . Marriage Preparation

All couples contemplating marriage at Holy Cross should call the parish office well in advance (6-9 months), in order to make arrangements with a priest. Attendance at a Marriage Preparation Course (Pre Cana) or an Engaged Encounter is a diocesan requirement for all couples planning to be married.

Holy Cross offers Marriage Preparation twice a year, usually a Saturday in June and November. It is a day-long session held in the Parish Center. Approximately four to six married couples share their experiences, and discussion of important issues between the engaged couple is encouraged.

Call the parish office, 663-2244, for information regarding dates, times and places where Marriage Preparation is offered and request a registration form.

Topics include: the Sacramentality of Marriage, Communication, Intimacy, Finances, Spirituality, and "Nitty Gritty" which covers substance abuse, in-laws, daily living, careers, etc.

Volunteer as a PreCana Presenting Coupl

Have you celebrated the Sacrament of Marriage? Are you willing to share your experiences about marriage with others? Do you have ONE Saturday a year to volunteer? If so, then Holy Cross' Pre-Cana program is looking for you!

Pre-Cana is the Diocese's marriage preparation course and we are looking for couples who might be interested in participating as presenters to give the Pre-Cana participants a thorough and inclusive program. We utilize 5 or 6 couples having a variety of years of marriage experience; a strong, lived faith experience; and a willingness to share about the blessings and challenges of marriage.

If you are interested or if you have any questions about this volunteer opportunity, please contact the parish office at 663-2244 or via e-mail, rholycross@dor.org.

Couples who are thinking about volunteering in the future are urged to make arrangements to stop in and "shadow" a presentation or two to see what it's all about! Please let us know ahead of time if you will be visiting.