



Things to do

before you say "I do"

Congratulations on your engagement! We are so excited that you have chosen to get married in the Catholic Church, and we want to do everything we can to set you up for a lifetime of happiness together.

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Meet with your priest or deacon

Preferred time frame: 4-6 months before desired date

Before finalizing any dates with vendors, please contact your parish for a meeting. You'll get to know your priest or deacon, get acquainted with the marriage prep process and set future dates with staff members.

Marriage preparation course

Preferred time frame: 4-6 months before desired date

There are several approved marriage prep courses in the Archdiocese. Your priest or deacon will connect you to the best fit for you and your situation. All the courses are designed to give you the Church's vision of Marriage, and practical tools that will help you love each other well.

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Intro to Natural Family Planning

Preferred time frame: 4-6 months before desired date

NFP is NOT your grandma's "rhythm method"! It's a research-based method of spacing children that respects the physical, relational and spiritual health of the couple. This course will help you overcome any misconceptions about NFP.

Final meeting(s) with priest or deacon

Preferred time frame: 1-3 months before desired date

In these final meetings, you may discuss your marriage prep and NFP course, go over an inventory (if you took one), finalize your wedding liturgy and complete anything else required by your parish.

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Questions? Call Sr. Monica Bernadette Arguello 913-647-0329



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