



*A Wedding is a day.....*

# 2017 Baltimore Catholic Engaged Encounter Schedule and Registration Form

*... a marriage is a lifetime.*

## 2017 WEEKENDS

January 13-15

February 18-19 (Frederick)

April 7-9

May 19-21

July 14-16

September 8-10

November 3-5

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for information and to register on line

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PLEASE PRINT BALTIMORE CATHOLIC ENGAGED ENCOUNTER REGISTRATION FORM

HIS Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Her Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (Day): \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (Day): \_\_\_\_\_  
(EVE): \_\_\_\_\_ (EVE): \_\_\_\_\_

Parish/Religion: \_\_\_\_\_ Parish/Religion: \_\_\_\_\_

Wedding Priest & Church: \_\_\_\_\_ Wedding Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Weekend Choices: (1<sup>st</sup>) \_\_\_\_\_ (2<sup>nd</sup>) \_\_\_\_\_ \*\*CONFIRMATION EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

MC/MSA Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Exp: \_\_\_\_\_ Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Note: The registration fee is non-refundable! Please make checks payable to ENGAGED ENCOUNTER  
Mail TO: Baltimore Catholic Engaged Encounter PO Box 42, Myersville, MD 21773, Or call at: (410) 439-4217  
\*\*A Letter of confirmation will be mailed to the woman's address unless a confirmation email is given above.

All of the Sacraments in the Church have some sort of preparation involved with their reception. Marriage is no exception. When a man and a woman are joined in Marriage they become a family. As their love for one another and their family grows they become both sign and symbol to the world of God's great love for all mankind and in the process become the building block of both society and the church.

**Matthew 5:14-16**<sup>14</sup> "You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. <sup>15</sup> Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. <sup>16</sup> In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.

Matthew 19:5 **'FOR THIS REASON A MAN SHALL LEAVE HIS FATHER AND MOTHER AND BE JOINED TO HIS WIFE, AND THE TWO SHALL BECOME ONE ...**

### **Weekend Registration Fee is \$350.00**

Payment in the form of a check made payable to "Engaged Encounter" or a MasterCard/Visa number and signature will hold your reservation. Payment is **not refundable**. No couple should let money prevent them from attending the weekend. Arrangements can be made on an individual basis if the couple or their parish cannot afford the expense. Many couples have even made Engaged Encounter Weekends as wedding gifts from family or friends.

**We strongly encourage couples to call to verify availability of weekend desired. We will accept a ten-day telephone hold for dates requested. To reach our registration couple call: 410-439-4217.**

### **What is Engaged Encounter?**

The Engaged Encounter Weekend utilizes a dynamic process based on listening, writing and dialoguing. The process encourages the engaged couple to concentrate on building a relationship. The weekend extends from 7:30 PM Friday to 4:30 PM Sunday afternoon. Free from the pressures and distractions of daily living, the engaged couple has the opportunity to concentrate exclusively on each other, while examining the essential issues they will encounter with the marriage relationship.

The design of the weekend encourages the couple to explore mutual strengths and weaknesses, goals, aspirations and attitudes concerning family life, children, sexuality, finances, the Church and society. The couples are encouraged to communicate in terms of planning their marriage, not only a wedding day celebration. "A wedding is a day ... a marriage is a lifetime."

### **What Happens on the Weekend?**

A team of two married couples and the priest facilitate and guide the Weekend. Team presentations involve personal sharing on marriage and family issues. The team encourages the couples to become involved in a period of discovery. It is a working weekend, not a vacation.

### **When do couples make their weekend?**

Six to twelve months before the wedding would be an ideal time frame. A minimum of three months before the wedding is recommended. Often, weekends book up to six months in advance.

### **Who is the weekend for?**

It is for all couples contemplating marriage. The Engaged Encounter Weekend has the support and approval of the Archdiocese of Baltimore.

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### **The EE Weekend is time for us to:**

Reflect in Private  
Be ourselves  
Be alone together  
Enjoy being together  
Talk – just to each other  
Listen – in old ways and new  
Discuss in private  
Be sure  
Be gentle  
Experience God  
Laugh together  
Cry together  
Examine  
Pledge  
Reevaluate – if you need to  
Enjoy!

### **About Our Volunteers:**

The Baltimore Engaged Encounter Community is composed of volunteers who share their strong belief in the Sacrament of Marriage. We all give freely of our time and talents, sharing our love with each other and the engaged. We are enriched by the love we see reflected in the engaged and those we work with!

### **Where are the Weekends Held?**

The weekends are held at Holy Trinity Spiritual Center in Pikesville MD. Directions are furnished with a confirmation letter mailed to the woman's address once the registration form and payment are received.

**Please note; Room assignments are on designated male and female floors and individuals will share a room with a member of the same sex.**

### **How Do WE Register?**

To register for a weekend, send the registration form and the non-refundable payment (either MasterCard/Visa or a check made out to Engaged Encounter) and mail to:

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