

A marriage preparation
course serving the
Diocese of Charleston

Marriage for Life



Next Workshops:

Aiken: Feb. 4 and
Feb. 18, 2012

Florence: May 5 and
May 19, 2012

**Joy-Filled and Life-Long:
Marriage as God designed it**

What is Marriage for Life?

The Marriage for Life Workshop prepares and strengthens couples seeking the holy vocation of marriage. Marriage for Life explores those aspects of marriage that will help couples discern their readiness, deepen their love for each other, and grow in grace through their gift of self in married life.

In a relaxed and lighthearted atmosphere, the workshop uses personal stories, exercises, demonstrations, and video presentations to help couples discover what gifts they bring to marriage and what the marriage covenant requires of them. Much of the workshop revolves around the couple's own one-on-one discussions as they explore the depths of their relationship and breadth of God's plan for their marriage.

Through sessions that present the Christian vision of marriage and sexuality, the workshop unveils the tremendous importance of attentiveness to one another, the real meaning of communication, the role of forgiveness, reliance on God's grace, and how to build on the solid foundation of shared values. Couples will gain advice to adjust from "couple life" to "family life," skills for dealing with challenges to the marriage relationship, and better appreciation for the Sacrament of Matrimony and their ultimate purpose in marriage: helping each other and their children to attain eternal life.

Contact Information

For more information, please contact Deacon Bob and Donna Pierce at (803)642-9434 or at rampierce@bellsouth.net or see www.sc-familylife.org/pages/family%20life/mfl.html

Who Should Attend?

• Engaged couples wanting to develop the foundation needed to live happy and holy marriages that will grow throughout life's changes.

• Recently-married couples looking to deepen their understanding of the dignity of their marriages, and desiring to gain practical experience to adjust to the dynamics of married and family life.

• More-experienced couples seeking to renew the love that brought them together and better appreciate God's love, which has kept them together.

Schedule

Two Saturdays, 8:45 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Aiken: Winter and Summer

Florence: Spring and Fall

Registration

To register, please complete the registration form on the next page and mail with a check to the location listed on the form.

The cost is \$80 per couple and includes the workshop materials as well as breakfast, lunch, and refreshments for both days.

Marriage for Life



REGISTRATION FORM

Today's Date: _____ Wedding Date: _____

Names: _____
Groom/Husband Bride/Wife

Contact info for Correspondence: _____
Email Address

Street Address City State Zip

Phone Number Your Parish

For Engaged Couples:

Name of Priest preparing you for Marriage Parish Name City State

Dietary Restrictions? Please list any foods you must avoid:

_____ We have included the fee of \$80 per couple to help defray the cost of materials, snacks, and meals at the Marriage for Life Workshop.

Please check one:

Aiken

_____ Feb. 4 & Feb. 18, 2012

Mail form and check to:
St. Mary Help of Christians
P.O. Box 438
Aiken, SC 29802

Questions? < Dcn. Bob & Donna Pierce
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Florence

_____ May 5 & May 19, 2012

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