

Marriage Preparation Formation Opportunities: 2025

(as of December 2024)

Diocese of Youngstown (<https://doy.org/marriage-and-family-life/>)

Engaged Couple Retreat

The Diocese of Youngstown offers a One-Day Retreat for Engaged Couples on the following Saturdays, 9:00 to 4:00 p.m., \$80 per couple: February 22, 2025; April 5, 2025; May 10, 2025; September 6, 2025; October 25, 2025.

All sessions will take place at St. Columba Cathedral Hall, 144 W. Wood St., Youngstown

Brochures or on-line registration may be found on the diocesan website: www.doy.org (click the “Ministries” tab and click on “Canonical Services, Marriage & Family Life”), or contact marriageoffice@youngstowndiocese.org or 330-744-8451 ext. 252.

Diocese of Cleveland (<https://www.dioceseofcleveland.org/offices/parish-life/marriage-and-family-ministry/marriage/overview>)

Loyola Retreat House

Loyola Retreat House, 700 Killinger Road, Clinton, Ohio 44216 (Summit County), offers Pre-Cana days on Sundays, 10:30 am to 7:00 pm for \$90.00 per couple. Call 330-896-2315 for details or visit

<https://loyolaretreathouse.com/sponsored-retreats>.

February 16, 2025; June 29, 2025; September 14, 2025.

The Jesuit Retreat Center

The Jesuit Retreat Center, 5629 State Road, Parma, Ohio 44134 (Cuyahoga County) offers Pre-Cana days nearly every month on Sundays from 12:30 to 6:30 pm for \$80.00 per couple. Call 440- 884-9300 for details or visit <https://www.jesuitretreatcenter.org/calendar/pre-cana>.

January 19, 2025; February 16, 2025; March 23, 2025; April 6, 2025; May 4, 2025; June 1, 2025; August 24, 2025.

Diocese of Pittsburgh (<https://diopitt.org/marriage-preparation>)

Corpus Christi Parish

Friday, February 21, 2025 from 6:00 to 9:30 pm and Saturday, February 22 from 8:30 am to 7:00 pm in the St. Barbara Church Hall of Corpus Christi Parish, 45 Prestley Rd. Bridgeville, PA 15017. \$75 per couple, meals included. Must attend both sessions. To register, go to <https://corpuschristipgh.org/weddings>.

“Rooted In Love”

Saint Padre Pio Parish and “Renew the ‘I Do’” provide a Marriage Preparation Weekend, “Rooted In Love,” which helps couples to engage each other in important conversations to grow their relationship and dive into important topics.

Saturday, February 1, 2025, 8:30 am - 5:00 pm and Sunday, February 2, 2025 8:30 am - 5:00 pm at Hyacinth Epp Hall Lawrenceville (224 37th Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15201), \$179 per couple.

For information or to register, visit <https://www.renewtheido.org/marriage-prep>

Diocese of Erie (<https://www.eriecd.org/familylifeoffice/precana.html>)

Pre Cana Classes are available at the following times and locations:

- **Sundays, Feb 23 & Mar 2, 2025** (St. Peter Cathedral, Erie) 8:30am, ending with 11am Mass; RSVP 814-453-6677
- **Sunday, March 2, 2025** (St. Walburga School, Titusville) 8:30am-5:30pm, no Mass included; RSVP 814-827-4636
- **Saturday, March 15, 2025** (Queen of the World, St. Marys) 9:30am-6:15pm, Mass included; RSVP 814-834-4701
- **Fri & Sat, Mar 28 & 29, 2025** (Our Lady of Peace, Erie) Fri, 5pm-9pm & Sat, 9am-1pm, no Mass included; RSVP 814-833-7701
- **Sunday, April 27, 2025** (St. James, Erie) 9:00am-5:00pm, Mass included; RSVP 814-899-6178
- **Saturday, July 12, 2025** (St. Mark Catholic Center, Erie) 8:00am-6:00pm, Mass included; RSVP 814-824-1216
- **Sunday, September 7, 2025** (Our Lady of Mercy, Harborcreek) 8:00am-5:00pm, Mass included; RSVP 814-899-5342
- **Saturday & Sunday, Oct 11 & 12, 2025** (Church of the Good Shepherd, West Middlesex) 12:00pm-4:00pm, no Mass; RSVP 724-528-3539
- **Sunday, November 2, 2025** (St. George, Erie) 8:00am-4:00pm, Mass included; RSVP 814-864-0622