

## St. Ann Catholic Church

Website: [www.saintannparish.org](http://www.saintannparish.org)

Parish Office – 513-521-8440

### Mass Times:

Sunday: Vigil-4:00pm, 9:00am, 11:30am

Weekdays: 6:45pm Monday, 8:30am Tuesday-Friday

8:30am 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Saturdays

### Reconciliation:

Mondays: 5:30-6:30pm, Thursdays: 5:30-6:30pm &  
2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday Morning –9:00am

### Eucharistic Exposition:

Thursdays—8:30am Mass until 7:00pm, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>  
Saturdays following 8:30am Mass until 1:00pm

*“Willed by God in very action of creation, marriage and family are interiorly ordained to fulfillment in Christ and have need of His graces in order to be healed from the wounds of sin and restored to their “beginning,” that is, to full understanding and the full realization of God’s plan”*

*- St. John Paul the Great*

**Father Thomas H. McCarthy – Pastor**

John Quattrone – Deacon

Chris Schaljo – Director of Music & Worship



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## CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## Marriage Preparation



## Guidelines, Readings & Music Selections

*To know, love, and serve the Lord in this life  
and to be happy with Him forever in the next.*

## Marriage Guidelines

- *Marriage is between one man and one woman who are free from any known impediments and are open to children.*

For example: Having a prior marriage, that you received a divorce on, but did not receive an annulment, thus one is not free to marry.

**If not sure ? Contact the Pastor**

### **Requirements**

- State of Ohio Marriage License (may be obtained 60 days prior to wedding date)
- Baptism Certificates (for the Catholic party – within 6 months of marriage)
- Marriage Education Classes
- Fully Engaged Assessment Test
- Meet with Married Couple - Review Inventory
- Marriage Questions (due by 4<sup>th</sup> class)
- Archdiocese Requirement (3 options)
- **Parish Wedding Guidelines: Must be read, signed, and returned to the parish office prior to scheduling your wedding date at the church. Let Fr. McCarthy know ASAP if you need these!**

## Natural Family Planning

There are many different Natural Family Planning Methods or Models to follow which use similar but different biological markers to help a couple understand their fertility cycles. Below are 3 of the most popular NFP methods. Please research which method would work best for you.

**To view a brief comparison and description of different NFP Methods go to:**

[www.catholicmom.com/nfp\\_methods.pdf](http://www.catholicmom.com/nfp_methods.pdf)

### **1. Billings Method** - [www.learnNFPonline.com](http://www.learnNFPonline.com)

Site offers 3 instructional videos to learn about Natural Family Planning

### **2. Couple to Couple League** - Sympto-Thermal [www.ccli.org](http://www.ccli.org)

Home study course or Register for local courses taught at St. Bernard's Taylor Creek or Ruah Woods, go to [www.registerccli.org](http://www.registerccli.org)

### **3. Creighton Model** - [www.creightonmodel.com](http://www.creightonmodel.com)

Find a teacher in the area.

## God's Plan for a Joy Filled Marriage



God's Plan for a Joy-Filled Marriage is a new, supplemental marriage preparation program.

This program has a two-fold goal: to present a summary of Catholic

teaching on God's plan for marriage, and to offer engaged couples practical suggestions for embracing this plan in their own lives. God's plan of life and love is literally stamped in our bodies. Here, you will find a much-needed testimony to the essential interrelation between love, life, and sexuality, and discover how a deep appreciation for this interrelation is the path to a blessed and joy-filled marriage.

- **Why were we created male and female?**
- **Where do we come from and why?**
- **What is the meaning of life? How do we experience it?**
- **Why is there evil in the world and how do we overcome it?**

**Please call and visit the website to register and find dates for scheduled classes: Ruah Woods 513-407-8672**



**6675 Wesselman Rd. Cincinnati, OH 45248**  
[www.ruahwoods.org](http://www.ruahwoods.org)

## **Requirements—Continued**

- Couple are required to start marriage preparation with a priest 6 months prior to the wedding. The actual planning of the wedding is the final step and will be done at your last session with the priest. The Guidelines for what is or is not allowed for the ceremony are on the parish website listed under Marriage Guidelines.
- Couples are required to meet with the parish music director, who will guide you through the process. If you wish to use another musician, he/she must be approved by the director.
- Music is an integral component of any liturgical ceremony, couples are encouraged to select pieces that are reflective of their love and their faith; however, it **must also be sacred and appropriate**. See Music section for of list of appropriate songs/hymns.
- CDs or recorded music is not permitted to be used during a liturgy, no matter how meaningful to the couple. It is suggested that couples save that music for the reception.

### **Reminder**

**Contact the Music Director- 3 months prior to your wedding**

- Parish Music Director: 513-521-8440 ext 116

## **Readings & Music for Weddings**

This Marriage Preparation booklet will help you prepare for and plan your wedding liturgy. It goes in the Order of the Mass.

Select an Old Testament reading, Responsorial Psalm, and New Testament reading that have a special meaning for the two of you. The priest/deacon will select the Gospel to complement your Old & New Testament selections.

The music should complement the Scripture readings you have selected and echo the themes from Sacred Scripture to tie the whole Liturgy together.

## **Order of the Mass**

### **I. Processional Music**

Canon in D (*Pachelbel*)

Cavatina (*Stanley Myers*)

Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring (*J.S. Bach*)

Seasons (inspired by Pachelbel's *Canon in D*) (*Fox/Newmark*)

St. Anthony Chorale (from *Variations on a Theme by Haydn*) (*Johannes Brahms*)

Trumpet Tune (*Henry Purcell*)

Trumpet Voluntary (*Jeremiah Clarke*)

Rigaudon (*Andre Campra*)

Wedding Song "There is Love" (*Paul Stookey*)

### **II. Sign of the Cross/Intro**

### **III. Gloria**

### **IV. Opening Prayer**

### **V. Liturgy of the Word**

## **Archdiocese Requirements**

- **Option # 1 Natural Family Planning (NFP options are listed on Page 14)**
- **Option # 2 God's Plan for a Joy-Filled Marriage Course at Ruah Woods (Information listed on Page 13)**
- **Option # 3 Catholic Engaged Encounter Weekend Retreat [cincinnatiengagedencounter.org](http://cincinnatiengagedencounter.org)**

The weekend consists of a series of presentations-Friday evening, ending Sunday afternoon. Led by a team of married couples and a priest, the two of you are encouraged to talk privately with each other on many aspects of marriage.

To register for a weekend retreat, please contact Jon and Julie Ruedisueli at (513) 259-6446 or [natiengagedencounter.org](http://natiengagedencounter.org).

## **XII. Distribution of Holy Communion** *(Mass only)*

Covenant Hymn *(Gary Daigle)* #797

Dwelling Place *(John Foley)* #594

Eat This Bread *(Jacques Berthier)* #838

Gift of Finest Wheat/You Satisfy the Hungry Heart *(Kreutz)* #815

No Greater Love *(Michael Joncas)* #594

One Bread, One Body *(John Foley)* #830

Panis Angelicus *(Cesar Franck)*

Take and Eat *(Michael Joncas)* #831

We Are Many Parts *(Marty Haugen)* #733

## **XIII. Devotion to Blessed Mother** *(optional)*

Ave Maria *(Bach/Gounod)*

Ave Maria *(Franz Schubert)*

Hail Mary/Gentle Woman *(Carey Landry)* #782

## **IXV. Closing Prayer**

## **XV. Solemn Blessing**

## **XVI. Dismissal**

### **Recessional Music**

Canon In D *(Johann Pachelbel)*

Hornpipe (*"Allegro Maestoso"* from *Water Music Suite*) *(G.F. Handel)*

Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring *(J.S. Bach)*

Ode to Joy *(Ludwig van Beethoven)*

St. Anthony Choral (from Variation on a Theme by Haydn) *(Johannes Brahms)*

Trumpet Tune *(Henry Purcell)*

Wedding March *"Midsummer's Night Dream"* *(Felix Mendelssohn)*

## ***1st Reading: Old Testament***

### ***1. The two of them become one body.***

**A reading from the Book of Genesis 2:18-24**

The Lord God said: "It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a suitable partner for him." So the Lord God formed out of the ground various wild animals and various birds of the air, and he brought them to the man to see what he would call them; whatever the man called each of them would be its name. The man gave names to all the cattle, all the birds of the air, and all wild animals; but none proved to be the suitable partner for the man. So the Lord God cast a deep sleep on the man, and while he was asleep, he took out one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. The Lord God then built up into a woman the rib that he had taken from the man. When he brought her to the man, the man said: "This one, at last, is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; this one shall be called 'woman,' for out of 'her man' this one has been taken." That is why a man leaves his father and mother and clings to his wife, and the two of them become one body. -The word of the Lord.

### ***2.. Allow us to live together to a happy old age.***

**A reading from the Book of Tobit 8:4b-8**

On their wedding night Tobiah arose from bed and said to his wife, "Sister, get up. Let us pray and beg our Lord to have mercy on us and to grant us deliverance." Sarah got up, and they started to pray and beg that deliverance might be theirs. They began with these words: "Blessed are you, O God of our fathers; praised be your name forever and ever. Let the heavens and all your creation praise you forever. You made Adam and you gave him his wife Eve to be his help and support; and from these two the human race descended. You said, 'It is not good for the man to be alone; let us make him a partner like himself.' Now, Lord, you know that I take this wife of mine not because of lust, but for a noble purpose. Call down your mercy on me and on her, and allow us to live together to a happy old age." They said together, "Amen, amen." - The word of the Lord.

**5. The beauty of a virtuous wife is the radiance of her home.**

A reading from the Book of Sirach 26:1-4, 13-16

Blessed the husband of a good wife, twice-lengthened are his days; a worthy wife brings joy to her husband, peaceful and full is his life. A good wife is a generous gift bestowed upon him who fears the Lord; be the rich or poor, his heart is content, and a smile is ever on his face. A gracious wife delights her husband, her thoughtfulness puts flesh on his bones; a gift from the Lord is her governed speech, and her firm virtue is of surpassing worth. Choicest of blessings is a modest wife, priceless her chaste soul. A holy and decent woman adds grace upon grace; indeed, no price is worthy of her temperate soul. Like the sun rising in the Lord's heavens, the beauty of a virtuous wife is the radiance of her home. - The word of the Lord.

**Responsorial Psalm**

*(sung by the Cantor)*

I will bless the Lord at all times **(Psalm 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9)**

The Lord is kind and merciful **(Psalm 103:1-2, 8, 13, 17-18)**

Happy are those who do what the Lord commands **(Psalm 112:1-2, 3-4, 5-7, 7-8, 9)**

Happy are those who fear the Lord **(Psalm 128:1-2, 3, 4-5)**

The Lord is compassionate to all his creatures **(Psalm 145:8-9, 10, 15, 17-18)**

Let all praise the name of the Lord **(Psalm 148:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12, 13-14)**

**2nd Reading— Options on Page 6**

**VII. Intercessions/Prayer of the Faithful**  
***Nuptial Blessing—Ceremony Only***

**Liturgy of the Eucharist**

**VIII. Bring-up/Preparation of the Gifts** *-(Mass only)*

God in the Planning *(Irish folk tune/text-John Bell)* #868

I Have Loved You *(Michael Joncas)* #604

Like A Seal On Your Heart *(Carey Landry)*

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling *(Hyfrodol)* #622

Love Never Fails *(Bach/arr. Sky, Jordan)*

Not for Tongues of Heaven's Angels *(Michael Joncas)* #623

Song of Saint Patrick *(Marty Haugen)* #703

Wedding Song "There is Love" *(Paul Stookey)*

Where Charity and Love Prevail

Where There Is Love *(David Haas)*

Wherever You Go *(Gregory Norbet)* #872

Wherever You Go *(David Haas)* #867

**IX. Eucharistic Prayer**

**X. Our Father/Nuptial Blessing**

**XI Sign of Peace**

Cantabile *(G.F.Handel)*

Cavatina *(Stanley Myers)*

I Will Be With You *(James Moore)* #455

Let There Be Peace On Earth *(Miller/Jackson)* #731

Prayer of St. Francis/Channel of Your Peace *(Sebastian Temple)* #726

Seasons (adapted from Pachelbel's Canon in D) *(Fox/Newmark)*

## 9. *God is love.*

A reading from the first Letter of Saint John 4:7-12

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is of God; everyone who loves is begotten by God and knows God. Whoever is without love does not know God, for God is love. In this way the love of God was revealed to us: God sent his only-begotten Son into the world so that we might have life through him. In this is love: not that we have loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as expiation for our sins. Beloved, if God so loved us, we also must love one another. No one has ever seen God. Yet, if we love one another, God remains in us, and his love is brought to perfection in us. - The word of the Lord.

## Gospel

**Matthew:7:21-29** *House Built on Solid Rock, Lasts*

**Matthew:19:3-6** *Two Become One Flesh*

**Mark: 10:6-9** *Two Become One, Must Not Be Separated*

**John:2:1-11** *Wedding Feast of Cana*

**John 15:9-12** *As the Father Loves Me, I Love You*

**John 15:12-16** *You Love Me, If You Keep My Commandments*

## VI. Rite of Marriage

### I. Questions Before Consent

### II. The Consent -Exchange of Vows

### III. The Blessing and Giving of Rings

### IV. The Blessing and Placing of Lazo/Veil—*optional*

## Second Reading -New Testament

### 1. *This is a great mystery, but I speak in reference to Christ and the Church.*

#### A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Ephesians 5:2a, 21-33

Brothers and sisters: Live in love, as Christ loved us and handed himself over for us. Be subordinate to one another out of reverence for Christ. Wives should be subordinate to their husbands as to the Lord. For the husband is head of his wife just as Christ is head of the Church, he himself the savior of the body.

As the Church is subordinate to Christ, so wives should be subordinate to their husbands in everything. Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ loved the Church and handed himself over for her to sanctify her, cleansing her by the bath of water with the word, that he might present to himself the Church in splendor, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, that she might be holy and without blemish. So also husbands should love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself. For no one hates his own flesh but rather nourishes and cherishes it, even as Christ does the Church, because we are members of his Body. For this reason a man shall leave his father and his mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh. This is a great mystery, but I speak in reference to Christ and the Church. In any case, each one of you should love his wife as himself, and the wife should respect her husband. - The word of the Lord.

### 2. *Offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God.*

#### A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Romans 12:1-2, 9-18

I urge you, brothers by the mercies of God, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God, your spiritual worship. Do not conform yourselves to this age but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and pleasing and perfect. Let love be sincere; hate what is evil, hold on to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; anticipate one another in showing honor. Do not grow slack in zeal, be fervent in spirit, whom you serve is the Lord...

## **2. Continued**

Rejoice in hope, endure in affliction, persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the holy ones, exercise hospitality. Bless those who persecute you, bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Have the same regard for one another; do not be haughty but associate with the lowly; do not be wise in your own estimation. Do not repay anyone evil for evil; be concerned for what is noble in the sight of all. If possible, on your part, live at peace with all. - The word of the Lord.

## **3. If I do not have love, I gain nothing.**

### **A reading from the first Letter of Saint Paul to the Corinthians 12:31–13:8a**

Brothers and sisters: Strive eagerly for the greatest spiritual gifts. But I shall show you a still more excellent way. If I speak in human and angelic tongues but do not have love, I am a resounding gong or a clashing cymbal. And if I have the gift of prophecy and comprehend all mysteries and all knowledge; if I have all faith so as to move mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. If I give away everything I own, and if I hand my body over so that I may boast but do not have love, I gain nothing. Love is patient, love is kind. It is not jealous, is not pompous, it is not inflated, it is not rude, it does not seek its own interests, it is not quick-tempered, it does not brood over injury, it does not rejoice over wrongdoing but rejoices with the truth. It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never fails.

## **4. And over all these put on love, that is, the bond of perfection.**

### **A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Colossians 3:12-17**

Brothers and sisters: Put on, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, heartfelt compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience, bearing with one another and forgiving one another, if one has a grievance against another; as the Lord has forgiven you, so must you also do. And over all these put on love, that is, the bond of perfection. And let the peace of Christ control your hearts, the peace into which you were also called in one Body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, as in all wisdom you teach and admonish one another, singing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to God. And whatever you do, in word or in deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

## **5. The God of peace will be with you.**

### **A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Philippians 4:4-9**

Brothers and sisters: Rejoice in the Lord always. I shall say it again: rejoice! Your kindness should be known to all. The Lord is near. Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God. Then the peace of God that surpasses all understanding will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is gracious, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing what you have learned and received and heard and seen in me. Then the God of peace will be with you. - The word of the Lord.

## **6. Let marriage be held in honor by all.**

### **A reading from the Letter to the Hebrews 13:1-4a, 5-6b**

Brothers and sisters: Let mutual love continue. Do not neglect hospitality, for through it some have unknowingly entertained angels. Be mindful of prisoners as if sharing their imprisonment, and of the ill-treated as of yourselves, for you also are in the body. Let marriage be honored among all and the marriage bed be kept undefiled. Let your life be free from love of money but be content with what you have, for he has said, I will never forsake you or abandon you. Thus we may say with confidence: The Lord is my helper, and I will not be afraid. -The word of the Lord.