



Saint Patrick's Church

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Marriage Preparation – Meeting with Pastor Couples' Discernment on Readiness¹

The Questions before the Consent

Priest/Deacon: *Are you prepared, as you follow the path of Marriage, to love and honor each other for as long as you shall live?*

Groom and Bride: *I am.*

Priest/Deacon: *Are you prepared to accept children lovingly from God and to bring them up according to the law of Christ and his Church?*

Groom and Bride: *I am.*

Understanding Your Responsibility

- *Do we have a well-founded belief of intention and capacity to raise our child in the Catholic faith?*

Any concerns? _____

If any, how do you address these? _____

- *Do we accept of the Teachings of the Catholic Church as summarized in the Creed?*

Any concerns? _____

If any, how do you address these? _____

¹ Based on the Policies for the Administration of the Sacraments, in effect November 30, 2014.

- *Do we regularly participate in the worship of the Church, especially faithful and weekly attendance at Sunday Mass?*

Where we currently are: _____

Where we want to be: _____

- *Do we have a personal and prayer life as a couple?*

Where we currently are: _____

Where we want to be: _____

- *Do we live the Gospel in concrete ways, manifested in our concern to show charity to others, particularly those in need?*

Where we currently are: _____

Where we want to be: _____

- *Do we live a life-style that is influenced by our personal belief in the Lord Jesus, and a commitment to the way of life to which He invites us?*

Where we currently are: _____

Where we want to be: _____

Groom's Name and Signature

Bride's Name and Signature

Pastor

Date