

CATHOLIC ENGAGED ENCOUNTER

OF LOS ANGELES

A Wedding is a Day

A Marriage is a Lifetime



Marriage Preparation for Engaged Couples

2010

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2010	Dates	SB	SRC	DPC
January	8,9,10	♥	♥	
	22,23,24			♥
February	19,20,21			♥
	26,27,28	♥		
March	5,6,7			♥
	12,13,14	♥		
	19,20,21			♥
April	9,10,11	♥		
	16,17,18			♥
	23,24,25			♥
May	14,15,16			♥
	21,22,23	♥		
June	4,5,6			♥
	11,12,13	♥		♥
	25,26,27		♥	
July	9,10,11	♥		
	16,17,18		♥	♥
	23,24,25			♥
	30,31,1	♥		
August	6,7,8			♥
	13,14,15	♥		
	20,21,22			♥
	27,28,29	♥		
September	10,11,12			♥
	17,18,19			♥
	24,25,26	♥		
October	8,9,10	♥		
	15,16,17			♥
	29,30,31		♥	
November	5,6,7	♥		
December	3,4,5	♥	♥	

SB : St. Mary's Seminary - Santa Barbara

SRC : Serra Retreat Center - Malibu

DPC : DePaul Retreat Center - Montebello

What is Catholic Engaged Encounter?

It's a Weekend designed for a man and woman who are preparing for marriage in the Catholic Church. This Weekend fulfills the marriage preparation requirements of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles.

Do you have to be a Catholic?

No. The Weekend is presented by a Catholic priest and two married couples. Couples of other faiths are certainly welcome.

What happens on the Weekend?

The Weekend gives you an opportunity to talk to each other privately in an honest and intense way about your future life together. Presentations by the team of two married couples and a Catholic priest are designed to help you reflect and share with each other on topics including: self-knowledge, communication, sexuality, decision making, marriage as a sacrament, morality, family, Natural Family Planning information, and betrothal. Your personal discussion will always be from the viewpoint of your own relationship. The main thrust of the Weekend is one of personal reflection and couple dialogue.

Meal times, Saturday afternoon break, and Sunday afternoon Mass provide opportunities for you to interact with the group and meet other couples. Otherwise, the Weekend is designed to be a private experience for you and your fiancé.

When is the Weekend held?

See the schedule in this brochure for locations and dates.

Please plan ahead (9 months), as there is often a 3-month backlog for space on a Weekend, which should be completed at least 6 months prior to your wedding.

Where is the Weekend held?

Retreat houses in various cities are used for the Engaged Encounter Weekends. You'll be sharing a room with a person of the same gender. No exceptions are made to these sleeping arrangements.

When do couples attend the Weekend?

You are encouraged to complete your marriage preparation at least 6 months prior to your wedding. However, no wedding date needs to be set to attend the Weekend.

What is the Weekend schedule?

Arrival time on **Friday** is 7:00 PM, after dinner. There is approximately one hour to get settled. Friday's activities end at about 11:00 PM. The first meal service is Saturday breakfast.

Saturday begins at 7:30 AM. There is approximately a 1 hour break in the early afternoon and the day concludes at approximately 11:00 PM.

Sunday begins at 7:30 AM and the Weekend concludes with Mass at approximately 4:30 PM, followed by Certificates of Completion.

We recommend that you both get plenty of rest the week before your Weekend date. To fully benefit from the Weekend and to fulfill the marriage preparation requirement, you are required to stay and participate at the Retreat Center during the entire Weekend — **NO EXCEPTIONS.**

What is the cost of the Weekend?

The basic cost of the Weekend, including meals and lodging, is \$250 per couple, which must be prepaid when the application is mailed in. An opportunity for a donation is made available during the Weekend.

A limited number of scholarships are available – please contact your local priest prior to registration for more information.

How should reservations be made?

Reservations can either be made using the form at right or using our website (www.CEEofLA.org).

RESERVATIONS ARE RECOMMENDED 90 DAYS PRIOR TO THE WEEKEND YOU REQUEST.

A prepayment of \$250 per couple is made payable to CATHOLIC ENGAGED ENCOUNTER. Online payment is available (\$75.00 is non-refundable. **Two weeks** notice of cancellation is required for a \$175 refund.) Send to:

Mary Lupe ♥ Mike Ellis
6678 N. Berkeley Circle
Moorpark, CA 93021

After you send in your reservation request and payment, you'll receive detailed instructions indicating where and when your particular Weekend will be held. This is usually at a facility closest to your home. Allow **3 weeks** for confirmation after mailing. **Registration is completed only upon receipt of the fee.**

Visit our web site for registration forms,
information, availability and maps:
www.CEEofLA.org

For General Information call toll free:
(888) 267-3660

Spanish Engaged Encounter
www.encdenovioslosangeles.com
(888) 378-9410

Mail this form with a prepayment of \$250 per couple (\$75.00 is non-refundable.)
Send to CEE of Los Angeles, Inc., c/o **MARY LUPE & MIKE ELLIS, 6678 N. BERKELEY CIRCLE, MOORPARK, CA 93021 (805-529-0245)**
Make check or money order payable to *Catholic Engaged Encounter of Los Angeles.*
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Woman's Name _____	Man's Name _____
Religion _____	Religion _____
Contact Address (<input type="checkbox"/> Man <input type="checkbox"/> Woman) _____	Wedding Date _____
City/State _____	Parish of Wedding _____
Contact Phone #: H _____ W _____	Officiating Priest _____
E-mail Address _____	Special Needs for Weekend _____
Desired Date/Location: 1st choice _____	2nd Choice _____

(Every attempt will be made to place you on your 1st or 2nd choice – if they are both full, you will be placed on the next available weekend)

NOTE: Include a self-addressed, stamped #10 business-size envelope. Send by REGULAR mail only - do NOT send certified or registered.

