

# Marriage Preparation

## CHECKLIST

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### Pray Together

Now that you have made the first step toward your life-long commitment to one another, build your newly-formed relationship on prayer.

- Attend Sunday Mass
- Receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation
- Spend time with the Blessed Sacrament in Adoration



### Meet with your Priest

Each engaged couple must meet with their local priest or deacon, fill out a marriage questionnaire, and complete any other required paperwork. The initial approach to the priest or deacon must be made at least six months prior to the wedding date. Please do not sign up for any diocesan marriage preparation classes until you have this meeting.

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### Take "Transformed in Love" Marriage Preparation

Complete this diocesan marriage preparation program no more than six months before your wedding day. For additional information, visit: [Marriage and Family Life | Diocese of Green Bay](#). To access the marriage preparation classes list, [CLICK HERE](#).



### Take "FOCCUS" Premarital Inventory

This tool is designed to help both of you learn more about yourselves and your relationship and discuss many of the topics that are central to ensuring that your marriage will last a lifetime. All FOCCUS pre-marriage inventory sessions are coordinated through your parish. Call your parish to make arrangements.

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### Attend the NFP 101 Class

These [Natural Family Planning Classes](#) help you to:

- Understand and interpret natural signs of fertility and infertility
- Strengthen marriage through enhanced communication and intimacy



### Plan your Wedding Liturgy

Meet with your priest, deacon, musicians, etc. to prepare your wedding liturgy. You are able to select from a variety of readings and prayers throughout the ceremony. Once the liturgy is planned, set the date and time for rehearsal.

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### Obtain your Marriage License.

Contact your county's clerk office within 30 days of your wedding ceremony. Visit the Wisconsin state license services website for more information. If you live out of state, contact the county in which the ceremony will take place.



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