

CATHOLIC ENGAGED ENCOUNTER

OF LOS ANGELES

A Wedding is a Day

A Marriage is a Lifetime



Marriage Preparation for Engaged Couples

2016

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Register on-line at www.CEEofLA.org
and see the latest schedule and
availability.

2016	Dates	Retreat Locations		
		DPC	CM	UCSB
January	15,16,17	♥		
February	12,13,14	♥		
March	4,5,6	♥		
	11,12,13	♥		
April	1,2,3	♥		
	22,23,24	♥		
May	13,14,15	♥		
	20,21,22		♥	
June	17,18,19	♥		
July	8,9,10	♥		
	22,23,24	♥		
August	5,6,7			♥
	12,13,14			♥
	19,20,21	♥		
September	2,3,4		♥	
October	7,8,9	♥		

DPC: DePaul Retreat Center - Montebello

CM: La Casa De Maria - Santa Barbara

UCSB: UC Santa Barbara Campus, Santa Barbara



What is Catholic Engaged Encounter?

It's a Weekend retreat designed for a man and woman who are preparing for the Sacrament of 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: the family you grew up in, communication, values, intimacy, natural family planning, and the Sacrament of Marriage. 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 to meet other couples. Otherwise, the Weekend is designed to be a private and personal 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 if possible), as there is often a 3-month backlog for space on a Weekend.

Where is the Weekend held?

Retreat houses in various cities are used for the Engaged Encounter Weekends. Separate dormitories are provided for men and women. Most rooms are private.

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. Since dinner is not provided on Friday, please arrange your own dinner prior to your arrival. There is approximately one hour to get settled. Friday's activities end at about 11:00 PM. The first retreat meal service is Saturday breakfast.

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

Sunday begins at 8:00 AM and the Weekend concludes at approximately 4:30 PM.

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 5 meals and 2 nights lodging, is \$350 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 a financial need letter. Typically, a scholarship couple will invest at least \$100 as their commitment to attend the Weekend.

How should reservations be made?

Reservations can be made on-line at our website (www.CEEofLA.org) or use the attached form.

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

A prepayment of \$350 per couple is made payable to CATHOLIC ENGAGED ENCOUNTER. On line payment is available (\$100 is non-refundable. **Two weeks** notice of cancellation is required for a \$250 refund.) For reservations through mail 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. Allow **3 weeks** for confirmation after mailing. **Registration is completed only upon receipt of the fee.**

**Visit our website for registration forms,
information, availability and maps:
www.CEEofLA.org**

**For General Information call:
(805) 529-0245**

**Spanish Engaged Encounter
www.encdenovioslosangeles.com**



Mail this form with a prepayment of \$350 per couple (\$100 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 _____ Age _____
 Religion _____
 Contact Address (Man/Woman) _____
 (check one) (NOTE: please provide only ONE address)
 City/State _____ Zip _____
 Contact Phone #: H _____ W _____
 E-mail Address _____
 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.