

THE VIRTUES

FOR COUPLES



**Saturday,
February 11, 2017**

**8:30am - 2:30 pm
In St. Joseph Hall**

\$15.00 per couple

**Deadline to register
February 4, 2017**

Would you and your spouse like to go on a retreat?

Dear Couple,

We invite you to participate in **THE VIRTUES** - a retreat for couples of any age.

THE TOPIC

The topics of this program are based on the four Cardinal Virtues: Prudence, Justice, Courage and Temperance. These virtues are so important that they are like four hinges that open the door to a person's success in life. They help us grow and mature as persons.

It is the personal maturity of each spouse that contributes to the success of the marriage.

"As a couple grows in virtue, they grow in holiness."

Love and Life in the Divine Plan, USCCB

Pope Francis said that the Church is fully involved in the story of every Christian marriage, "She is built on their successes and she suffers in their failures." (May 2015)

The Pope is telling us that when marriages are strong, the Church is strong.

The purpose of this program is to help you strengthen your marriage.

"Nothing so needs reforming as other people's habits."

Mark Twain

WHAT CAN WE EXPECT when we attend the retreat?

You will meet a group of couples that, like you, care about their marriage.

Your participation in **THE VIRTUES** will help you strengthen your good habits.

Through the practice of Prudence, Justice, Courage and Temperance you will mature in wisdom and grow in your ability to love.

"A virtue is an habitual and firm disposition to do good."

Catechism of the Catholic Church 1808

As Christian spouses we are aided on our journey to virtue by God's grace. At baptism we received the gifts of Faith, Hope and Charity.

These three supernatural virtues guide us and strengthen us as we cultivate the human virtues of **Justice, Prudence, Courage and Temperance.**

To participate in this program see the details in the parish bulletin or on the parish website, www.immaculate.net • Registration forms are in the Parish office.