

# Catholic Engaged Encounter Inc.

A WEDDING IS A DAY, A MARRIAGE IS A LIFETIME

## What is Catholic Engaged Encounter (CEE)?

CEE is a weekend designed for couples who are preparing for a Sacramental Marriage in the Catholic Church. While it is spent with other engaged couples, the focus is on private time for the couples to build on a closer relationship. The weekend gives the couple time to discuss their future lives together. This includes their strengths, weaknesses, desires, ambitions, goals, as well as their attitudes about money, children, family, intimacy and their role in the church and society.

## CEE is a Diocesan approved program.

However, you should consult with the priest supervising your marriage preparation to determine the exact requirements in your parish and diocese.

## What happens on the weekend?

Through a series of presentations by two married couples and a priest, the engaged couple is encouraged to privately discuss all aspects of their forthcoming married life. Their discussion is always from the viewpoint of their own relationship. The couple's personal reflection and dialogue time becomes the focus of the weekend.

## When is the weekend held?

Our 2021 Engaged Encounter Schedule is as follows:

February 13<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup>

March 20<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup>

April 24<sup>th</sup>-25<sup>th</sup>

June 5<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup>

July 17<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup>

September 11<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>

October 16<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup>

We encourage you to make your reservations at least four months prior to your wedding date, as many weekends are filled quickly. The weekend begins Saturday morning and concludes Sunday afternoon, following mass. The couple must stay the entire time to derive the full benefit of the weekend and to receive a certificate of completion.

## Where is the weekend held?

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, 2021 weekends will be held virtually through Zoom.

## What is the cost?

The cost is \$85 per couple and it includes all supplies needed for the weekend.

## How do you register for the weekend?

Registration can be completed through our website: <https://kansascity.engagedencounter.com>

## Comments from Couples who have experienced CEE

*"It was an unforgettable experience for both of us. We heard about marriage in a positive way."*

*"We became more certain of our decision to marry. We were able to concentrate on our relationship without everyday distractions."*

*"We've grown to love each other more, yet when we arrived on Friday night we hadn't thought that would be possible."*

*"We gained a better understanding and appreciation of the church's views on the sacrament of marriage."  
"We drew closer as we realized how important God was in our marriage."*

*"It brought out feelings we didn't know we had, and we benefited from hearing the team couples talk openly about their experiences."*

## Contact Information

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