



REMAIN

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John 15:9

Remain in My Love:
Archdiocese of Philadelphia Initiative
for the Renewal of Marriage and Family Life

FIRST YEAR:

May to December 2017

Audience: Staff of the Archdiocesan Pastoral Center

Goal: Renewing Our Mission in Service to Married Couples and Families

SECOND YEAR:

January to December 2018

Audience: Staff of Parishes, Schools and Other Archdiocesan Institutions

Goal: Renewing Our Mission of Pastoral Care of Married Couples and Families

THIRD YEAR:

January to December 2019

Audience: Married Couples and Families of the Archdiocese

Goal: Rediscovering the Mission of Marriage and the Family

Learn more at: archphila.org/remain

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In each year of the *Remain in My Love* initiative, the intended audience will be invited to encounter the splendor of what Christ has revealed about marriage and family life through large and small group gatherings. It will be designed as an opportunity for growth and transformation as well as mutual support, encouragement and discussion fueled by study materials, dynamic presentations, and beautiful videos. What follows is an outline of the topics covered during each of the three years.

MARRIAGE: CREATED BY GOD, FOR GOD

Theological content: The sacramentality of marriage

- Marriage is an institution created by God from the beginning
- Marriage is founded upon the sexual complementarity of the spouses and the natural law
- Through the Incarnation, marriage is raised up to a sacrament of redemption
- The Sacrament of Marriage makes the spouses an image of the Trinity and visible sign of Christ's espousal to the Church

MARRIAGE: HE SAW THAT IT WAS VERY GOOD

Theological content: The goods of marriage

- Unity, Indissolubility, and Fruitfulness
- The goods of marriage as an expression of the sacrament, which is a sign of the union of Christ and the Church
- God, who is the author of the sacrament of marriage, also gives grace to the couple to live the goods of marriage
- Threats to the goods of marriage

FAMILIES, BECOME WHAT YOU ARE!

Theological content: The family as the Domestic Church

- The mission of the family in the Church
- The mission of the family in the world
- The responsibility of the Church to married couples and families
- The current attack on the family and what we should do about it

More details coming soon! archphila.org/remain