



## Small Reading Groups on Marriage



- As part of the *Remain in My Love* initiative, staff of Archdiocesan parishes and schools are invited to launch CanaVox small groups consisting of staff members and key volunteers in your parish/school.
- CanaVox reading groups explore the truths of the Catholic faith and natural law concerning marriage using readings and videos that are modern, relevant, and practical.
- CanaVox groups foster positive, forward-looking dialogue on the pressing issues facing our marriage culture. They aim to provide participants with language to speak with others in an informed and compelling manner about what we believe about marriage.
- Discussion topics include: Divorce, Pornography, Cohabitation, Infertility, Loving Those with Same-Sex Attraction, Fatherhood, and more. The full list of topics and readings can be found at [archphila.org/canavox](http://archphila.org/canavox). Readings are also available in Spanish.
- It is recommended that two leaders be trained for each small group that is launched. To start a group and train leaders, contact April Readlinger at [aprilr@canavox.com](mailto:aprilr@canavox.com).

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# REMAIN IN MY LOVE: YEAR TWO

## CANAVOX SMALL READING GROUPS

### FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

#### What are CanaVox Reading groups?

As part of the Archdiocesan *Remain in My Love* initiative to renew marriage and family life, staff members of the parishes and schools within the Archdiocese of Philadelphia are invited to launch CanaVox small reading groups. In these groups, participants will gather to explore and discuss the truths of the Catholic faith and natural law concerning marriage. The readings for each session address the problems our marriage culture faces, but also provide solutions and hope. CanaVox group readings can be found at [archphila.org/canavox](http://archphila.org/canavox).

#### Who are the groups for?

During this second year of the *Remain in My Love* initiative, CanaVox groups are offered to the primary and extended staff in the parishes and schools of the Archdiocese. This includes clergy, principals, teachers, administrative staff, directors of religious education, catechists, parish volunteers, etc. More than one group is encouraged. For example, you might launch a small group for catechists, one for teachers, one for faith formation leaders, and/or one for rectory staff. In 2018, the groups are for staff and key volunteers, not the general parish. *Remain in My Love* will extend to all the faithful in 2019.

#### How do the groups work?

Participants read the articles and watch the videos assigned for a particular session on their own time. In the small group session, participants engage in positive, meaningful discussion about the readings/videos. Each group will have a leader who helps to facilitate the discussion, using a Leader's Guide that will help the leader facilitate the discussion. All group leaders will go through a short training to help them lead their group.

#### How do I get trained to lead a group?

Our training is quick and simple! You just need to participate in one short video conferencing call. During this call, we discuss the principles we cheer for, the rules of conversation that CanaVox groups follow, and you will join-in on a live video reading group with other group leaders in training.

#### How much reading will there be?

The readings (and some videos) for each session can be completed in about 45 minutes to one hour. But even if you aren't able to complete the readings before each meeting, we encourage you attend the group and join in the discussion.

#### What are the topics that will be discussed?

The Remain in My Love syllabus contains 12 sessions on the following topics: The Meaning of Marriage; Marital Love; Contraception and NFP; Adultery and the Hook-up Culture; Cohabitation; Divorce; The Importance of Fatherhood; Pornography; Infertility, IVF and the Better Way; Understanding and Loving Those with Same-Sex Attraction; Transgender Identity; and Same-Sex Marriage and Parenting.

#### When and where do groups meet?

It is recommended that groups meet approximately once a month, starting in March 2018. Group meetings last 60-75 minutes. Groups can be hosted wherever is comfortable and convenient. Some groups meet in homes, others meet in parish centers or other office space and some even meet in coffee shops.

#### How can we get started?

Email April Readlinger at [april@canavox.com](mailto:april@canavox.com). Once we receive your information, we will be in touch to start the process.