## DIOCESE OF LUBBOCK – CATHOLIC ENGAGED ENCOUNTER 2026 SCHEDULE January 23-25 & April 17-19 & June 26-28 English/Spanish & October 2-4

Retreat is conducted at Mercy Retreat Center, 605 S. 19<sup>th</sup> St., Slaton TX 79364 **Questions:** Diocese of Lubbock Marriage & Family Office - Phone 806-792-3943 ext. 238 or FamilyLife@catholiclubbock.org

## **IS THERE AN IDEAL TIME TO ATTEND?**

Discuss with your Pastor specifics regarding your Wedding Date and Engaged Encounter attendance-**DO NOT WAIT UNTIL THE LAST MINUTE!** 

## WHAT IS ENGAGED ENCOUNTER?

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- ♦ Engaged Encounter is a weekend where couples planning marriage have time to concentrate on each other, free from tensions, pressures, and interruptions of daily life.
- ❖ It is designed to give couples an opportunity to dialogue intensively and honestly about their future life together. Self-identity, role expectations, money, sex, children, family and religion are some of the topics of face-to-face dialogue with one's partner.
- ❖ Engaged Encounter is one of the instructional programs for marriage preparation sponsored and approved by the Diocese of Lubbock.



## WHAT HAPPENS DURING THE WEEKEND?

- A series of talks on experiences of the team of married couples and a priest or deacon, the engaged couple is encouraged to discuss, privately, aspects of married life –from the viewpoint of their unique relationship.
- ❖ Each talk is followed by private reflection time which is followed by dialogue with one's fiancé. The focus is on the couple and their private sharing; group sharing is minimal and never mandatory.
- During the weekend, there is time provided for questions, open discussion, prayer, reconciliation, and the Sunday Liturgy. Pack clothes for Sunday Mass. Other instructions will be sent to the couples once registered.

Please pay in full along with registration. Registration fee includes rooms and meals.

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