



Engaged Encounter Notes



Diocese of St. Augustine

A Love Letter From Our Leaders

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Dearest Community,

We hope you each had a very blessed Christmas season!

As we start a new year we would like to take this time to thank each of you for all that you have done for our ministry in 2006. From those that do registration, behind the scenes, the presenting couples to all of the prayer couples...we could not do it without you! Thank you for the time and energy that you invest into our ministry.

We attended our Unit discernment meeting in Tallahassee last weekend. We were so blessed to be part of such a spiritual discernment in which the Holy Spirit helped guide our Unit to the selection of

Jack & Claudia Barrett of the Pensacola/Tallahassee community as our new Unit Coordinators. A huge thank you to Frank & Sharon Kling (outgoing UC's) & to Jamie & Cathie Herzog (District III Coordinators) for facilitating such a wonderful discernment & Unit meeting. We heard lots of interesting information from other communities in our Unit & can't wait to share it with you at the January meeting.

We would like to kick off 2007 with an EE weekend blitz at local parishes the weekend of February 10th – 11th. We thought it would be a great opportunity to present the EE pulpit talk that the Gibson's, Pendleton's & Kelly's have assembled. What a wonderful time to plant the idea of

a couple ministry to others... the weekend before Valentine's Day! We will be discussing this in more detail at our January meeting. We would really appreciate it if each couple would take the time to present a pulpit talk at their parish during that weekend. If you could cover all the Masses that would be wonderful...if you can only present after one Mass that would be great. We will have information that you could use to set up a table outside as well so you may pass out contact information about our community & how to get involved. What a wonderful gift this could be to one another...and what a wonderful gift this would be to our community if you could help!

Love to all –
Denver ♥ Camille

Special Request

We need couples to sign up for the 2007 weekends, especially the February weekend.

Please see the attached schedule and contact Denver & Camille (278-5393) to book your slots!!

Prayer Requests

- ♥ For the Preston family.
- ♥ For all of our priests.
- ♥ For all vocations.
- ♥ For Anne Storch as she heals from her broken hip.
- ♥ For the Pendleton family as they care for Patty's aging parents.
- ♥ For the Engaged.
- ♥ For Manny & Yvonne as they battle pneumonia & asthma
- ♥ For Fr. Ed Murphy.

Contact Info

Thanks to those who have given me your updated info. If you notice anything that still needs to be corrected or need a new copy of the roster, please let me know.

Thanks,

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Love Taps

A friend loves you all the time.—Proverbs 17:17

And husbands must love your wives with the same love Christ showed the Church. He gave up his life for her.—Ephesians 5:25

January Meeting

The January meeting will be at St Joseph's in the Cody Center on January 26th at 6:45pm. See you there.

Roster Update/Additions

We are going to add a new section to the roster and the newsletter to recognize birthdays in our community. Please e-mail me (jamie@joehmann.clearwire.net) the birthdates of the members of your family. We can then celebrate/recognize those who have celebrated birthday during the month at our meeting. (No, you do not have to give the year so as to not offend anyone.) I have only gotten a few so far so please let me know you family's info.

Thanks for your help is accomplishing this task.

Jamie Behmann

Excerpts of Love

Thank you for this wonderful weekend! Ricky and I were able to discuss topics that we hadn't thought of prior to this retreat. Through your efforts and witness, Ricky and I have realized just how important it is to have Christ at the Center of our marriage.

Ricky ♥ Michelle—November 2006

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for sharing and helping us prepare for our life as a married couple beyond the wedding ceremony. The talks and the sharing were truly inspiring. It is so humbling to know that there are people like you who freely give their time and effort to better our life as an engaged couple.

Archie ♥ Tess—November 2006

John and I came to this weekend retreat hoping to learn to communicate and open up to each other in a loving way. We must say that our expectations were not only met, but exceeded 10-fold. The various lessons made us realize that it was not only to look at ourselves as a couple but to realize that everyone around us plays an important role in our preparation for the sacrament of marriage.

John ♥ Michelle—November 2006

Weekend Schedule 2007

Weekend	Priest	Senior	Junior	BTS	Registration	NFP	Prayer Coordinator	Follow Up Mtg
January 19-21	Fr. Walsh	Kelly	Schretzmann	Granados	Oehmann	Schretzmann	Anderson	1/26/2007
February 23-25			Anderson			Schretzmann		
March	Discernment							3/17/2007
April 20-22	Fr. Murphy					Schretzmann		4/27/2007
May 18-20			Schretzmann	Granados		Schretzmann		
June 22-24	Fr. Bernie	Gibson	Anderson	Oehmann		Schretzmann		6/1/2007
July								Beach Party
August 24-26	Fr. Tim Lozier					Schretzmann		8/17/2007
September	Cancelled							9/21/2007
October 12-14	Fr. Sullivan		Klusman			Schretzmann		11/9/2007
November 16-18						Schretzmann		
December								Christmas Party