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Sydney: Marriage Preparation Seminars offered by the Greek Welfare Centre



The Greek Welfare Centre of the Holy Archdiocese of Australia is organising a series of Marriage Preparation Seminars in Sydney, with the next to be held over two days, on Monday 19th and Tuesday 20th of August 2024.

The seminars are free and offer couples the opportunity to understand and appreciate various important aspects of married life, which are fundamental to building a happy, healthy marriage.

Those interested can register either online: gwccservices.org/marriage-seminars/, or by contacting the Greek Welfare Centre by phone: (02) 9516 2188, or by sending an e-mail: .

More information:



Marriage Preparation Seminars

These Marriage Preparation Seminars prepare couples entering marriage, enabling them to enjoy a positive future together.

Next seminar:

Monday 19 & Tuesday 20 of August 2024
7pm – 9pm

GWC South East Office - The Millenium Centre, Le Sands Pavillion, The Grand Pde, Brighton-Le-Sands (next to Republiq Bar & Grill)

The topics covered:

- Sacrament of Marriage
- Communication
- Legal Aspects
- Financial Matters
- Marriage as a Journey

Register your interest online or contact us

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"...and the two shall become one flesh..."

– Gen 2:24, Mk 10:8

The Sacrament of Marriage

Marriage is a Mystery of the Orthodox Church through which the union of man and woman is sanctified by God. The Orthodox Marriage ceremony, the most ancient of Christian wedding rites, is steeped in ritual and symbolism, reflecting the theology of the Church.

Communication

Often workloads, shifts, career demands, the needs of children, social and extended family activities leave very little room for meaningful communication. However regardless of all the activities and pressures of married life, the fact remains: communication is to a relationship what breathing is to living.

Legal Aspects

The law affects married couples in many ways, marriage being a legal commitment by two people to each other. We need to understand the importance of communication between couples to air and solve issues before they become irreconcilable and disastrous legal disputes. Areas in which couples may come into contact with the Law include: renting and purchasing a home, estate matters and matters relating to Family Law.

Financial Matters

Money may be able to buy a little temporary joy but it cannot buy lasting happiness. Satisfaction in terms of wealth is not only achieved by getting more but also by needing less in many instances. Managing our financial affairs affects many aspects of married life.

Marriage as a Journey

A journey is an act of travelling from one place to another: marriage is a road which starts out from the earth and ends in Heaven. The bride and bridegroom give their hands to one another, and the priest, representing Christ, takes hold of them both and leads them round the table dancing and singing. Marriage is a movement, a progression, a journey which will end in heaven, in eternity.



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