

Resurrection

Roman Catholic Parish

3 January 2018

Dear fellow parishioners,

Each year, the Family Life Committee organizes the Celebration of Marriage to encourage married couples to celebrate their vital vocation of marriage. We are all aware that there are many forces within our culture that work against the fundamental goodness of sacramental marriage. Saint John Paul II described the contemporary situation well when he proclaimed, *“at a moment in history in which the family is the object of numerous forces that seek to destroy it, or in some way to deform it, and aware that the well-being of society and her good are intimately tied to the good of the family, the Church perceives in a more urgent and compelling way her mission of proclaiming to all people the plan of God for marriage and the family, insuring their full vitality and human and Christian development, and thus, contributing to the renewal of society and the people of God.”* (John Paul II, *Familiaris Consortio* #3). As a parish family, it is most important for us to cultivate a support system for marriage and families through events like the Annual Celebration of Marriage.*

Across times, cultures, and very different religious beliefs, marriage is the foundation of the family. The family, in turn, is the basic unit of society. This makes marriage a personal relationship with enormous public significance. In Ephesians 5: 25-33, Paul teaches that Christ made marriage a sign of His love for the Church. This means that a sacramental marriage lets the world see, in human terms, something of the faithful, creative, self-emptying, abundantly life-giving love of our Lord. This Christian meaning confirms and strengthens the human value of a marital union.*

With all of this in mind, join us for this special event celebrating the sacramental promises of marriage along with your parish family! We welcome married couples of all ages, stages and walks of life to join us as we simply celebrate, without agenda, the “faithful, creative, self-emptying, abundantly life-giving love of our Lord.”

We hope to see you there!

Lisa Sefick

Family Life Committee Representative



The Resurrection Parish Family Life Committee
***Cordially Invites All Married Couples of our Parish
to Join Us for the Annual***

Celebration of Marriage Dinner

Saturday, February 3, 2018

Buffet Dinner:

Tossed Salad
Roasted Chicken
Mashed Potatoes with
Gravy
Mixed Vegetables
Rolls & Butter
Gob Cake
Soda, Coffee & Tea
Cash Bar Available

***Mass at 4:00 PM with Parish Family
Cocktails & Light Appetizers at 5:30 PM
Dinner at 6:00 PM***

Our Sons Main Event

***(Former Knights of Columbus Banquet Hall)
229 Main Street, Johnstown, PA 15901***

Price per couple is \$45.00

***Please R.S.V.P. no later than
Wednesday, January 31, 2018***

*Return the completed form to the parish office with your payment.
For any special dietary needs, please note on the registration form.*



Celebration of Marriage Registration Form

***Please return this form and payment of \$45.00 to the parish office
no later than Wednesday, January 31, 2018***

Mr. _____ and Mrs. _____
Husband's First Name Wife's First Name Last Name

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Wedding Date: _____

