

Dear Monsignor/Father,

I write today to provide you with updates and will continue to share information with you as needed.

## Wedding Anniversary Mass to Celebrate the Vocation of Marriage (repeated from June 30)

We are resending this information to allow parishes the opportunity to register their parishioners for the Mass to Celebrate the Vocation of Marriage.

Cardinal Gregory will celebrate the first *Wedding Anniversary Mass to Celebrate the Vocation of Marriage* at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, on August 20, 2022 at 9:30 a.m.

Although Jubilarian anniversaries will be recognized at the Mass, the focus shifts from celebrating Jubilarian wedding anniversaries to celebrating the lived vocation of marriage by welcoming all couples to be recognized regardless of years married.

Pastors are asked to select up to three couples, regardless of their anniversary date, to represent their parish at the August 20, 2022 liturgy. Selected couples should be diverse as to anniversary date and representative of the parish. Although attendance at the Mass is limited, all married couples are invited to register to receive a certificate from Cardinal Gregory in honor of their anniversary. Prior to the August 20, 2022 Mass, the Office of Family Life will print the signed certificates and mail them directly to the parishes for distribution. The following links are provided below:

Parish Guide on How to Register Couples for Mass and How to Obtain a Certificate

Sample Pulpit and Bulletin Announcements in English and Spanish

Parish Registration Form for Three Couples to Represent the Parish

Remind the Faithful of Information on the Website

The archdiocesan website is updated regularly. Please see <a href="mailto:adw.org/coronavirus">adw.org/coronavirus</a> for information related to the coronavirus, <a href="mailto:adw.org/live-streamed-masses-and-prayers/">adw.org/live-streamed-masses-and-prayers/</a> for a listing of live stream Masses and prayers, and <a href="mailto:cathstan.org">cathstan.org</a> and <a href="mailto:elpreg.org">elpreg.org</a> for the <a href="mailto:Catholic Standard">Catholic Standard</a> and the Spanish-language <a href="mailto:El Pregonero">El Pregonero</a> newspapers.

As always, should you have questions or need assistance from my office, please know that you can email me at <a href="mailto:FarrellT@adw.org">FarrellT@adw.org</a>, or call my office line at 301-853-4507 or cell at 202-531-4550.

With gratitude for your priestly ministry, I am Sincerely in Christ,

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