

Memo

Date: September 16, 2024

To: Priests, deacons, religious brothers and sisters, family-life

ministers, marriage ministry leaders and parish staff

From: Patrick Metts, associate director, Office of Evangelization and

Discipleship

Re: Retreat for separated and divorced individuals, 11/13-11/15

What God Has Joined is a new retreat offered for individuals who have experienced separation or divorce in their marriage and are seeking to live out their lives faithful to their marital vows. The retreat is led by Catholics for Marriage Restoration and will be sponsored in part by the Office of Evangelization and Discipleship. It will be hosted at the Chancery of the Archdiocese of Atlanta on November 13-15.

The retreat will offer support and healing for those seeking understanding, support and hope for their relationship and life. It will feature daily Mass, confession, adoration, talks, prayer and reflection time, fellowship and communal meals. The spiritual guide for this retreat, Fr. Nathanael Block, and other Catholic speakers will guide participants to a fuller understanding of how to respond when a marriage breaks down.

Registration is currently open and is available through this <u>link</u>. The registration cost of \$35 includes a light breakfast, lunch and dinner on each day of the retreat, along with all retreat materials. Speaker information and retreat schedule can be found at <u>catholicsformarriagerestoration.com/retreat/</u>.

If you have additional questions about this retreat, please contact me at pmetts@archatl.com.

Bulletin Announcement:

Are you separated or legally divorced? Do you want to stay faithful to the vows that you made on the day of your wedding?

Find strength, hope, and solidarity at a retreat for separated and divorced men and women seeking to conform themselves to God's truth and will for their lives. Hosted by Catholics for Marriage Restoration (CFMR) and the Archdiocese of Atlanta on Nov. 13-15, the retreat will feature daily Mass, Confession, Adoration, fellowship, and meals. The spiritual guide for this retreat, Fr. Nathanael Block, and other Catholic speakers will guide participants to a fuller understanding of how to respond when a marriage breaks down. For more information, please view: WhatGodHasJoined.org.