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Date: July 15, 2019

To: Pastors, Priests, Deacons, Parish Administrators

From: Patrick Metts, LPC, Marriage, Family, and Pastoral Care Ministry;
Office of Formation & Discipleship

Re: Sponsor/Mentor Couple Training – For Better For Ever

Training for new mentor couples is scheduled for **Saturday, September 7, 2019**. The training will equip mentor couples to present the material found in the “**For Better and For Ever**” marriage preparation program based on the book of the same title authored by Father Robert Ruhnke, C.S.S.R., D.Min. The program will focus on helping the couples become effective Catholic mentors for engaged couples.

Check-in & hospitality begins at 8:30 a.m. The training will run from **9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.** at the Chancery - 2401 Lake Park Dr. SE, Smyrna, GA 30080. The fee for the training is \$38 per couple to cover materials and refreshments.

The selection of mentor couples to be trained to present this marriage preparation is critical to the success of this program. Thus, *pastor approval is a prerequisite* for couples seeking to be trained as facilitators. Pastors should only approve couples in a valid Catholic marriage of at least 5 years and who are supportive of Catholic teaching on marriage.

Couples may register by visiting the [website](#). If you have questions about this type of marriage preparation, please contact me at 404-920-7643 or pmetts@archatl.com.