

“THE MARRIAGE WELL: An Oasis for Couples”

Saturday, April 24, 2010 9:00 a.m. – 4:45 p.m.

National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows, Belleville, IL



Join other couples and **Mary Jo Pedersen**, noted author and spiritual guide, for a day of refreshment for your marriage.

Mary Jo Pedersen has been a teacher, trainer and author in the areas of family ministry, marriage spirituality, and parenting for over twenty-five years. She writes for Catholic News Service’s “Faith Alive” series and has authored several books including her latest, *For Better, For Worse, For God: Exploring the Holy Mystery of Marriage* from Loyola Press. She has been married for forty years and has three grown children. She served on the staff of the Family Life Office in the Archdiocese of Omaha for twenty-five years and was formerly an advisor to the USCCB Committee on Marriage and Family.

The retreat will include presentations by Mary Jo, times for quiet reflection and sharing with your spouse, discussion, prayer and Eucharist (optional at Shrine’s 5 p.m. Mass).

TOPICS INCLUDE:

- Explore the meaning of Christian marriage: What do we really promise?
- The challenges and changes of everyday life together: Making the most of transitions.
- Keep love alive and growing: Practical and effective ways to make it happen.

SCHEDULE

- 9:00 a.m. Registration
- 9:30 a.m. Program (includes break)
- 12:30 p.m. Lunch
- 1:45 p.m. Afternoon session (includes break)
- 4:45 p.m. Conclusion
- 5:00 p.m. Mass (optional)
- 6:00 p.m. Dinner (optional) Shrine Restaurant (see registration coupon)

Optional informal evening discussion with presenter for those who wish.

Yes, I want to register for “The Marriage Well: An Oasis for Couples” on April 24, 2010

___ Marriage enrichment program including lunch on Saturday (\$49 per couple)

___ Optional Saturday night dinner following 5:00 p.m. Mass and special blessing at Shrine Church (Dinner buffet \$24.99 per couple, includes tax, drink, and tip)

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If you would like to stay at the Shrine Hotel we have a program rate of \$49.99 per night. Contact the Shrine Hotel at 800-682-2879 and mention the Marriage Enrichment program.



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