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Come One, Come All! A night of Comedy to benefit Living in Love

January 24, 2009, 7:00 pm at St. Anastasia's Newtown Square, PA. Reserve a whole table for you and your friends and enjoy Beef and beer, music and laughter, and special guest appearances. Everyone is welcome whether or not they have experienced Living in Love or Preparing to Live in Love.

Laughter is often said to be therapeutic, and it certainly can nurture a playful or romantic atmosphere between us. So, it is very fitting that our own Dr. John Kelly and lovely wife Marie would provide a night to enjoy God's special gift of laughter and to raise the funds we need in order to reach engaged and married couples with the good news, the skills, insights and exciting experience of "Living in Love."

Please join us and support this event by inviting everyone you know - singles, priests, religious, couples. The price is only \$25 per person which includes two beers (or other beverages), sandwiches, and of course, the evenings entertainment.

Advance registration is requested in order to ensure adequate food and drink.

RSVP by selecting reply to this email or contact Marie Kelly directly at mariesakelly@aol.com and indicate number of people attending and form of payment. Tables of 8-10 people may be purchased in advance. Simply send one check and the list of names to Marie at 3210 Saw Mill Road, Newtown Square PA 19073. Or, if you have already received an electronic "Evite" but have not yet responded, please do so right away. Kindly make checks payable to PMRC which stands for the "Pastoral and Matrimonial Renewal Center, the 501C non-profit corporation that produces Living in Love and Preparing to Live in Love.

This is stacking up to be a really fun night with Beef and Beer, Live Entertainment featuring the phenomenal talents of Dave Michaels (the voice of Dean Martin), the musical talents of the Kennedy Family, with "green and clean" Comic relief from "Dr John" Kelly, Joe Sindoni and others.

We'll see you there!

Two Exciting Opportunities to Plan Ahead for in June!

June has long been associated with weddings, but June 2009 may be remembered as a singular moment of grace for marriage in the Catholic church in the U.S.

As mentioned in last month's e-News, the USCCB Pastoral Initiative on Marriage Implementation Committee (PIC) is hosting a conference in Minnesota June 25-28. The organizers have gone to great lengths to make the conference affordable including meals and lodging so that everyone who cares about marriage and family can attend and leave with new insights, strategies, tools and wisdom to create a culture of marriage in our parishes. **The Theme is "Becoming a Marriage Building Church."**

A whole panel of American Bishops will speak as well as key note addresses by, Christopher West, Dennis Stoica, Barbara Dafoe White, and other prominent marriage experts. There will be workshops on dozens of topics including one by Ron and Kathy Feher entitled "Sexual Sanctity" Unraveling the mystery of Living in Love.

In terms of spreading our own mission, what is most exciting about this opportunity is that the committee plans to video tape every workshop and disperse them to parishes throughout the U.S. The actual Living in Love retreat workshop will be offered as a pre-conference Institute June 23-24. This is a great opportunity for couples and priest traveling to the conference to experience Living in Love first hand and bring LL and PLL back to their home diocese or parish. We will have an exhibit for Living in Love, Preparing to Live in Love, and Living in love Everyday at the conference.

We encourage everyone who can to attend the conference. Please visit www.nacflm.org for information and registration.

The second opportunity is our own Living in Love Convention Day of Renewal, "Re-lighting Passion's Fire," June 6, 2009 at the lovely Malvern Retreat Center in Malvern, PA.

Treat yourself to a day to refresh your relationship and to meet couples from near and far who are also trying to live in love. Select fun workshops like "Advanced Flirting" or relevant topics like "Living in Love in Stress" or Formation and the Finances," and join us for an inspiration mass and lovely romantic dinner. In addition, there will be a welcome Mass and reception Friday evening June 5 and a leaders gathering Sunday, June 7.

Invite the priests you know to join us. There will be a special workshop on celibate masculinity, "The Passionate Priest", and a talk on empowering the laity 'Spiritual fatherhood' **Reply to this email to reserve a spot and receive registration information!**

Coming up

Living in Love

Weekends

2009

St Thomas More, Lynchburg VA	7-8 Feb
St Thomas of Villanova, Rosemont PA	14-15 Feb
Holy Family, Syracuse, NY	14-15 Feb
St Mary, Augusta, GA	21-22 Feb
St James, Basking Ridge NJ	28-29 Feb
Old St Joeseph, Philadelphia PA	14-15 Mar
Franciscan University, Steubenville OH	21-22 Mar
IHM, Las Cruces NM	28-29 Mar
St Anastasia, Newtown Square PA	25-26 Apr

Make a Living in Love Anniversary

Maybe it's time to brush up on the passion of living in love and there is no better way than to make a second Living in Love weekend. Most of us only heard 30-40% of what was presented on that first weekend, and the weekend has continued to evolve over time. So, if it has been a year or two or maybe more, check out the dates above and sign up to make an anniversary weekend. It's even better the second time around! Guaranteed!

Please, Donate Frequent Flyer Miles

Getting Living in Love started in new areas requires travel for the presenting team. We have an immediate and urgent need to get Paul and Carrie Marcinkevage from Stste College, PA to Augusta, GA for 21-22 Feb and Ron and Kathy Feher to Las Cruces, NM for 28-29 Mar. We are also getting more requests from around the country from Illinois to California. Most parishes cannot afford the transportation expense of bringing in facilitators from the East Coast; so, it becomes a stumbling block for making Living in Love happen.

If you travel a lot, a great way to support the PMRC is to donate some of those accumulated frequent flyer miles toward getting Living in Love started in parts of the country where it does not yet exist. If we can build up a reservoir of Frequent Flyer miles, we will be able to assist parishes on an as needed basis. Please, consider donating some of your miles to a worthy cause. Contact the PMRC at PMRCusa@msn.com to work out details. If you are in the travel business and can help make this happen, please share your expertise.

Preparing to Live in Love

Parish based pre-marriage mentoring with a 7 session experiential curriculum that seamlessly integrates Catholic Sacramental preparation, Theology of the Body life skills, and relevant relational skills training

On-going Mentoring

Please Pray for all engaged couples preparing for marriage and specifically for those being mentored through Preparing to Live in Love

Engaged Couple:

Anne Graulich and Daniel Grutter
Carla Guzman and Charles Stappenbeck
Karen Walker and Richard Carty
Nicole Arnor and Dan Tallon
Erin Taylor and Greg Vizza
Cara Coulter and Steve Cardella
Stephanie Madden and Steve Snyder
Esther Arriata and Phil Tomasello
Joanna Raymundo and Freddy Velazquez
Michelle Schroth and Pete Tomasello
Jessica Svihla and Michael Procopio
Jessica Bayer and Matt Chominski
Kari Malpas and Lender Quiros
Lisa Maglione and David Meckes
Adrienne Farley and Carter Ames

Mentors:

Jeff and Amy Randolph
Bob and Jean Blaisse
Frank and Karen Onesti
Joe and Kathy Tamney
Jim and Liz Clark
Tony and Carrie Zahm
George and Nadia Smith
Tim and Christine Coleman
Paul and Diana Hennesey
Steve and Jeanine Juth
Frank and Karen Onesti
Ron and Kathy Feher
John and Cathy Scansaroli
Bill and Julie Moore
Joe and Karen O'Neil

Bernadette Poesz and Matthew Brady
Jennifer Prudencio and Richard Joco
Hali Butler and Dan Hatting
Bridget Tierney and Michael Brown
Briege Ryan and Joe Ibanez
Amie Mulvaney and John Koch
Jennifer Makatche and Jason Murphy
Nlna Filletti and Mark Ranieri

Buck and Carmie Buchanan
Joe and Anne Bongiovani
Lee and Carol Megow
Eric and Erin Delss-Smith-Delss
Vince and Bridget Stinger
Dave and Julie Zaffarano
Bob and Ruth Arata
Mary and John Milligan

Upcoming Weddings

The following couples who were mentored through Preparing to Live in Love will marry this month or early next month.

Parish:	Wedding Date:
St Thomas of Villanova, Rosemont PA Kristin Dilks and Steve Lapicki	3 Jan
Immaculate Heart of Mary Cathedral, Las Cruces NM Jenasea Hannah and Shawn Ticho	17 Jan

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