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FAMILY LIFE

TO: Pastors and Administrators
FROM: Theodore J. Musco, Director
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RE: World Marriage Day February 12, 2022

In the new document from the Vatican's Dicastery of Laity, Family, and Life *Catechumenal Pathways for Married Life*, we read, "The task of accompanying couples is the duty of the entire ecclesial community, which embarks on a journey shared by priests, Christian spouses, and pastoral workers. The celebration of married life is to be a priority for each member of the ecclesial community. This January, we will begin the development of a marriage catechumenate to assist in this important mission.

To begin this endeavor, plans for World Marriage Day, celebrated this coming year on February 12, 2023, are presently underway. Please note the attached flyers (English and Spanish) and the bulletin/web site announcement. I urge you to promote the Masses that will be celebrated throughout the Archdiocese as well as the Longest Married Couples Search. Information regarding World Marriage Day will be sent to you in January as well as posted on our web site at <https://archny.org/ministries-and-offices/family-life/> and <https://archny.org/ministries-and-offices/vida-familiar/>

I look forward to collaborating with you as we continue to discern and implement guidelines the pastoral guidelines for local Church presented in Life *Catechumenal Pathways for Married Life*.