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"The digital world can be an environment rich in humanity a network not of wires but of people." —Pope Francis,

Message for the 48th World Communications Day



Digital media has become a part of our daily experience. We read news articles online, connect with friends on Facebook, and discuss current events on Twitter. Our lives are constantly shaped by communication through the Internet, radio, and print. However, Pope Francis has reminded us that "communication is ultimately a human rather than technological achievement." Through the Catholic Communications Campaign (CCC), we can "encounter others in the light of the Gospel" (Message for the 48th World Communications Day).

Married couples around the world face tremendous challenges and stand in great need of both encouragement and practical resources. The USCCB-sponsored website For Your Marriage (www.foryourmarriage.org) provides advice and witness stories to help couples at every stage of their journey, from dating to marriage and parenting. For National Marriage Week in February 2014, the website offered a seven-day virtual marriage retreat as a way for couples to enrich their marriage. Over 9,000 people visited the retreat page during the week, and each day close to 7,000 people visited For Your Marriage's homepage.

During the retreat, several couples who were separated due to military assignments overseas expressed their gratitude for the opportunity to deepen their relationship.

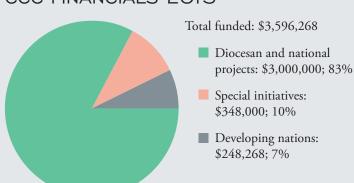
Thanks to funding from the CCC, the For Your Marriage website welcomes over 5,500 visitors every day. Because of the generosity of parishioners like you, couples will continue to receive the information and tools they need to strengthen their marriage and grow together in holiness.

The CCC allows us to share our experience of faith, worship, and witness with the world. Your generosity to this collection is a direct act of witness in itself, as you facilitate the communication of the gospel message. And remember, half of your donation stays in your (arch)diocese to support local communications projects.

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