Marriage Benefits Everyone . . .

- **Economically:** Married men and women have more wealth and financial stability.
- **Personally:** Men and women in a stable marriage live longer lives and have better health and greater personal happiness.
- **For Children:** Children who are raised by a married mother and father perform better in school and have less trouble with the law, teen pregnancy, and addiction.

Celebrate the beauty and sanctity of marriage with *Humanae Vitae* (1968-2018):

- Married love particularly reveals its true nature and nobility when we realize that it takes its origin from God, who “is love” (no. 8).
- “Marriage . . . [is] ordained toward the procreation and education of children. Children are really the supreme gift of marriage and contribute in the highest degree to their parents’ welfare” (no. 9; GS, no. 50).
- “The fundamental nature of the marriage act, . . . renders [husband and wife] capable of generating new life—and this as a result of laws written into the actual nature of man and of woman” (no. 12).

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