## MARRIAGE



one flesh, given and received

**Natural Family Planning** 

...supporting God's gifts of love and life in marriage

## Prayer for Couples Preparing for Marriage

O Sacred Heart of Jesus, look upon those preparing for marriage.

Send the Holy Spirit to open their hearts to your love so that, with honesty and selflessness, they may be strengthened to receive the Father's sacred design.

Through their spousal love, may they bear witness to your abiding faithfulness.

Obtain for them the grace to live the gift of fertility and to reject all that contradicts it.

May they honor the Creator's plan that they be "one flesh" for the "whole of life," and become generous stewards of new life.

Make them and all married couples beautiful witnesses of faithfulness and harmony to renew the face of the earth.

Amen.

