

Real Love & Real Life Letter to Parents: 2019-2020 Program Year

Dear Parents,

We are excited to announce a very special *Real Love & Real Life* family retreat that St Joseph's Catholic School, St Mary's Catholic Church and Our Lady of the Rosary Catholic Church are proud to be hosting, and you are invited! Please join us:

- Wednesday, November 6th and Saturday November 9th
- Wednesday Night 6.45 pm 9 pm and Saturday Morning 8.15 am 1 pm
- John Paul II Center at St Joseph's Catholic School
- 7th, 8th and 9th graders and their parents

Real Love & Real Life is presented by Family Honor, Inc. Since 1988, Family Honor has provided a Catholic framework on the truth and meaning of sexuality, love, and family.

In this *Real Love & Real Life* retreat, Family Honor will be presenting talks about communication, an understanding of our purpose in life, fostering virtues, including the virtue of chastity, recognizing what real love looks like, fertility appreciation, ideas about dating and marriage, and much more.

We chose Family Honor to present a retreat here because they believe in parental empowerment. They believe you, as parents, are the first and best teachers of your children, and Family Honor wants to serve parents by helping to build and enhance bridges of communication between you and your child. Here, one parent shares what they liked most about the retreat, "This (retreat) did such a wonderful job tying in all the things we want our children to know about sex and relationships. Learning about all this with God and the Cardinal Virtues at the center of it all-just as it should be!"

There are lots of activities pulling families in many directions, but this is an experience that families look back on years later and say, "Wow – that really made a difference!" This is a chance to invest in one of your most precious assets – your child.

We are confident that you will find value in this retreat that far exceeds *the registration fee* of \$45 which is due upon checking in at the first session. Scholarships may be available, as well. For families registering more than one sibling, the maximum cost will be \$60. Space is limited so please register early online at www.familyhonor.org by clicking on the "Programs" tab, then "Programs and Registration".

Thank you for your interest, and I hope to see you at this retreat. We consider this a wonderful opportunity to learn more about building healthy, happy, and holy families.

Sincerely,

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