



## The 2018 St. Patrick Parish

Pre-Cana dates are:

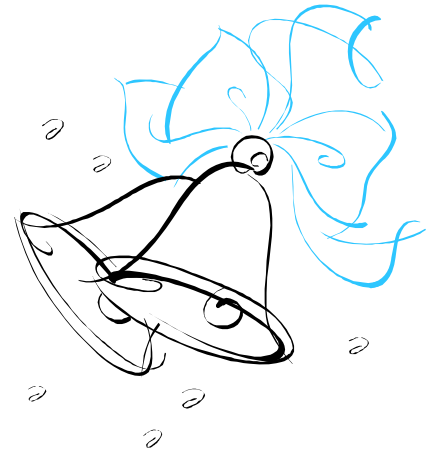
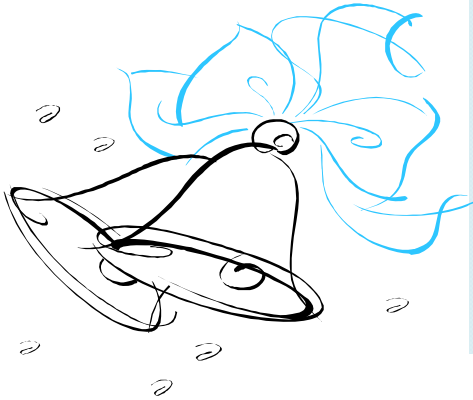
February 11

March 18

August 12

September 23

November 11



## WHAT'S IT ALL ABOUT??

The Pre-Cana Day is held in the Historic Village of Wellington, home of Archibald Willard, painter of the “Spirit of ‘76”. Since 1987 many Lorain County Parishes have worked together to present five Pre-Cana days each year. In this time we have ministered to over 6,000 couples. While most of the couples come from Lorain County, statistics show that over 40% come from throughout the Cleveland Dioceses and beyond. And more than one-third of the couples are of mixed faiths. Thus the entire day and Mass are done with this all in mind. Everyone is welcome and should feel comfortable.

The one-day Pre-Cana consists primarily of a series of talks on different aspects of married life, each given by a married couple or a priest. The remodeled Old Church is especially equipped for these presentations. It is air conditioned, with comfortable seating. You will find that the presenting couples are caring, loving, and willing to share their experiences of married life. The couples stay with you the whole day and are available should you wish to speak with them. After most talks, there is a quiet time for each person to reflect and write on what he or she has heard; then each couple has a chance to dialogue privately about what they wrote.

The day is really meant for the two of you. You will have time to share and talk together. The Old Church is surrounded by six acres of church property containing flower gardens and walkways. There is time to stretch and just get some fresh air if needed. Refreshments and snacks are available all day. You'll attend the 11AM parish mass, followed by lunch; the day ends with a candlelight supper.