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BRONX: Our Lady of Mercy Hospital

(212) 371-1000 ext 3189

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(718) 966-3798 (NFP OFFICE)

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> For more Information call (212) 371-1000 or local numbers above.

### Other N.F.P. Programs

Brooklyn Diocese - (718) 492-1800 x71 Rockville Center Diocese - (516) 678-5800 x206 Family Life Promotion of N.Y. - (516) 981-1971 New Jersey Diocese - (201) 833-3121 Other Dioceses & International Programs NCCB's Diocesan Development Program for N.F.P. - (202) 541-3240

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### Natural Family Planning



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Archdiocese of New York

### **Natural Family Planning**

Natural Family Planning (NFP) uses practical and dependable signs (e.g. cervical mucus, cervical changes and basal body temperature) to identify a woman's fertile and infertile phases. With this knowledge couples can accurately achieve or avoid pregnancy without contraceptive procedures or drugs. Natural Family Planning can be used during variable cycles, while breast feeding and during premenopause. This is not Calendar Rhythm.

### Reliability

The modern methods of natural Family Planning is 98% effective in avoiding pregnancy when the rules are clearly taught and properly applied. (Most recent: R.E.J. Ryder, British Medical Journal, v. 307: pgs. 723-6, 18 Sept., 1993)

Aguilar N: The New No Pill No Risk Birth Control. Rawson Publication 1986.

### **Advantages of Natural Family Planning**

NFP is medically safe.



- NFP is highly reliable. NFP precisely identifies days of fertility and infertility.
- NFP is morally acceptable.
- NFP is easy to learn.
- NFP is inexpensive.
- NFP enhances mutual respect, mutual responsibility and communication.

### What is Available?

Natural Family Planning is taught in each county of the Archdiocese in both English and Spanish by volunteer married couples who live Natural Family Planning and are trained and certified by the Family Life/Respect Life Office. Instructions are offered in a series of of three classes. NFP can be used after the first class. Unlimited consultation with a trained and certified teaching couple and all materials are provided through the program.

### The Church

"If then there are serious motives to space out births, which derive from the physical or psychological conditions of husband and wife, or from external conditions, the Church teaches that it is licit to take into account the natural rhythms (phases) immanent in the generative functions for the use of marriage in the infecund (infertile) period only and in this way regulate birth without offending the moral principles...."

-POPE PAUL IV, HUMANAE VITAE

### **Natural Family Planning Apostolate** REGISTRATION

We would like to attend the session starting in (FOR ENGAGED COUPLES) WEDDING DATE PHONE (DAY) books, materials and follow up as long as needed by the couple.

OTHER PHONE

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Additional Information 212-371-1000