



Above, lighter moments occur during discussions; right, Joe and Lena Kane seem to enjoy talking about communication; and, below, a wine party closed off one evening's session.



A new type of Pre-Cana program is being used in the Rochester Diocese, and it replaces the customary lecture style of instruction with teams of instructors and group discussions.

The Pre-Cana program, long a standard Catholic preparation for marriage, started as a series of lessons given to an engaged couple by a parish priest.

The new dimension in Pre-Cana, which the developers hope will eventually supplant the older method, consists of a short lecture and open discussions between the engaged

couples and a team of five married couples, a priest and a doctor.

Registration is limited, in the new method, to 25 couples; and the four sessions of the program are all held within one week or on two consecutive weekends.

There are presently four teams of married couples operating the new program in the diocese under the direction of Father Robert Collins of the Family Life bureau.

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