DATE: December 1, 2022

TO: All Pastors and Parish Secretaries

FROM: Deacon Louis Romero, Marriage Preparation Ministry Coordinator

RE: Bishop Barbarito’s Anniversary Mass for Married Couples on Saturday,

**February 11, 2023 @ 10:30AM – St. Lucie Church, Port St. Lucie**

It is that time of year again when we begin to announce the annual Anniversary Masses! As always, we rely on each parish to register your own parishioners and to submit the names to us. Please see the following instructions:

**ANNIVERSARY MASS REGISTRATION PROCESS**

*To facilitate the registration process and assure accuracy for the personalized certificates, a “fillable” form is attached to this email.*

To register couples, follow these steps:

1. Download the file from your email, enter your parish name where it says, “Your Parish.” Save file to your computer.
2. To register a couple, open the saved file and enter their information by clicking on the appropriate boxes. **Please use upper and lower case letters** when entering the names as indicated on the form.
3. Save the file to your computer after each registration.
4. Submit completed registration file by **FEBRUARY 3, 2023,** by attaching file to an email directed to eazzi@diocesepb.org (Please note: We built in a buffer to allow for late registrations by listing the registration deadline in the bulletin announcement as Monday, January 30. **However,** **you can submit names as late as Friday, February 3rd to accommodate those late registrants.)**

Your completed registration file will be used to generate the personalized certificates to be handed out to each of the participants at the Wedding Anniversary Mass. Again, thank you for your assistance with this project. If you have any questions, or need assistance, please contact:

 Deacon Louis Romero at 561-775-9557.

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Please begin publishing the following announcement in your parish bulletins immediately and continue weekly through January 30, 2023. Thank you!

**BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENT**

Most Reverend Gerald M. Barbarito, Bishop of Palm Beach, will preside at the celebration of our 39th Annual Anniversary Mass for Married Couples on Saturday, February 11, 2023, at 10:30AM, at St. Lucie Church in Port St Lucie. There will be a reception in the parish hall after the Mass.

All couples who will be celebrating 25, 40, or 50 or more years of marriage in the calendar year 2023 are invited to participate.

To attend, please contact *your own parish office* and register your names as soon as possible – but ***no later than Monday, January 30, 2023***. We ask that all participating couples arrive at St. Lucie Church by 10:00AM -- thirty minutes prior to the start of the Mass, so you can receive your personalized certificate.

St. Lucie Catholic Church

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