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## MINISTRY EDUCATION

*Give thanks for God's call of your own calling from God by supporting the education and formation of priests, deacons, and lay pastoral ministers who serve the 218 parishes of the Archdiocese. Your CMA gift also helps promote vocations to the priesthood and religious life.*

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# THEY CALL THEM THE “MENTOR COUPLE”

Retrouvaille (French for “rediscovery”) is a Catholic program for troubled and hurting marriages. In the Archdiocese of Cincinnati this program was started in 1988. The first people to be called to this ministry were Deacon Dan Rader and his wife Mary. Their love and compassion for people who want help navigating their troubled marriage draw couples to the program. Some call them a “mentor couple.” Dan and Mary greet hurting couples warmly, and make them feel welcome and comfortable.

A Church representative, especially an ordained deacon, is important to the establishment and growth of any Retrouvaille Community. The presence of a deacon like Dan not only validates the importance of caring for and improving marriages, but also offers encouragement to the community of volunteers to develop and grow. This all-volunteer peer ministry presents a story of “wounded healers” to other struggling couples, supported and encouraged by Dan and Mary.

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Everywhere

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