

RCIA

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

RCIA sessions meet weekly

Wednesdays, 7-8:30 PM

In the Narthex Room

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What is the RCIA?

RCIA is the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, a process (often called a “journey of faith”) aimed at welcoming others into our Catholic family through reflection on the experiences of their lives, the messages of sacred Scripture, and the teachings and doctrines of the Catholic Church.

Who takes this “faith journey”?

- An unbaptized person interested in learning about the Catholic faith
- Catholics who, though baptized, are not catechized and/or did not complete their sacraments of initiation (Eucharist and Confirmation)
- Persons baptized in another Christian faith who seek to make a profession of faith in the Catholic tradition and be accepted into full communion of the Catholic Church.

What if I am not sure I want to become catholic?

Can I still learn about catholic teachings and practices?

The RCIA journey respects each participant’s faith experience and their individual faith development timetable. Those “inquiring” into the Catholic faith meet with other inquirers, faith community members, and RCIA team members, at informal sessions. Friends and family members are welcome to attend also.

What do you “study”?

RCIA is more about **FAITH “FORMATION”** than information. Resource materials are provided, videos are used where applicable, but **the “heart” of RCIA is relationship and conversion**. It is how we change from behaviors and attitudes which center on self

to actions and choices which come from a relationship with a compassionate and loving God.

What do you learn about in RCIA sessions?

Sessions include topics such as Jesus Christ, the seven sacraments, our Catholic Mass, how we pray, the Church calendar, the Virgin Mary, moral issues/Catholic teachings, the Trinity, the Bible, the Saints, Church history and Catholic tradition.

Is RCIA for “returning” Catholics?

Yes, RCIA can be a journey of renewal for everyone in our Catholic community! We as a Catholic family are called to **look at our own faith formation and spiritual growth** as we witness to those who are committed to getting to know us through our worship, outreach, and faith stories.

How/Where do I begin the RCIA process?

If you are attending mass, have begun to ask yourself, “What do I believe in?” or have already been seeking spiritual direction, then you may have already begun the RCIA faith journey. Come join us. **CONTACT Micie DelosReyes at 253-838-5924 ext. 304.**