

RCIA

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

RCIA sessions meet weekly

Wednesdays, 7-8:30 PM

In the Narthex Room

Contact Micie DelosReyes if you would like to serve in RCIA Ministry.

RCIA is a total St. Theresa Community process. Come join us to make a difference *and then some!*

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.

How can I be involved?

Invite someone to become Catholic

Perhaps you know someone who is “seeking” a relationship with God. Why not ask them if they would consider joining the Catholic Church? Invite them to attend RCIA sessions to learn more about the Catholic Community.

Invite a Catholic to complete their sacraments

Not all baptized Catholics have completed their sacraments of Initiation (Eucharist and/or Confirmation). If you or someone you know would like to step more fully into practice of their Catholic faith - RCIA sessions can be just the answer.

Serve in RCIA ministry

Most people “come to faith” on the “arm of a friend.” The RCIA journey of faith involves several ministry areas, which help those on the journey, learn about faith from people who have a relationship with God. Come serve in RCIA ministry as a SPONSOR, a CATECHIST or another member of the RCIA TEAM. It will make a difference in your life, in your Catholic community’s faith life, and it will make a difference in the lives of those on the RCIA journey.

Catechist (Teacher/Facilitator)

The whole Church is responsible for “teaching” adults and children who wish to be “initiated”. The RCIA catechist helps “pass on” the Catholic traditions and celebrations by facilitating discussion/dialogue around information presented in session materials (like videos & hand-outs) on Church teachings, history, and practices. Catechist background with adults is not required. Team formation workshops will assist you.

Sponsor

Sponsors are Catholic members who are already “**initiated**” (baptized, confirmed, and celebrating communion), have the time and willingness to walk with someone as a companion and source of support on this journey. They should be “in tune” with St. Theresa Parish activities. Sponsors can make others feel comfortable and accepted, and can freely listen as well as share their own faith stories. Formation sessions will be held to assist sponsors in this ministry.