



# *Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church*

invites our non Catholic brothers and sisters to

## **RCIA \* COME AND SEE**

### **What the Catholic Church is all about?**

**The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults...** RCIA process is for adults who would like to explore the teachings and life of the Catholic Church with a view to possibly becoming a member of the Church.



*As John watched Jesus walk by he said, "Look! There is the Lamb of God!" The two disciples heard what he said and followed Jesus. When Jesus turned around and noticed them following him, He asked them, "What are you looking for?" They said to him, "Rabbi, (which means Teacher) where do you stay?" "Come and See," He answered. In 1:36-37*

**Classes begin on September 13, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. and will be held every Tuesday evening in the hall.**

The sessions will be led by Fr. Sexton with occasional guest presenters.  
**For more information, please call the Church Office 525-5161.**

### **Questions about the RCIA**

**1. What is the RCIA?**

*It is a process (more than a program) that helps an adult to explore the beauty and truth of the Catholic Faith.*

**2. What is the process?**

*Inquirers meet weekly for a presentation on some aspects of the Church, this is followed by questions and discussion. There is also a time for the prayer asking God to give guidance and wisdom to the inquirer.*

**3. How long does the RCIA process take?**

*Usually it begins in September and continues through Easter time when new members are welcomed into full membership in the Church.*

**4. Do I have to take tests or do homework?**

*No. This is an adult learning experience. You are encouraged to read further on topics if you have the time and, of course, prayer is important.*

**5. What expectations go with the RCIA Process?**

*Weekly attendance at the RCIA sessions; a commitment to begin to share in the weekly Sunday worship at Our Lady of the Lake; you are always free to discontinue.*

**6. Will I have a Sponsor to walk the journey with me?**

*Yes, if you have a spouse or friend who is already a Catholic, they may will to be your Sponsor, or the Church will find a Sponsor for you.*

## OUR LADY OF THE LAKE CATHOLIC CHURCH

RCIA Sessions Tuesday at 7pm 2011-2012

Liturgical Events Highlighted in Yellow

Textbook: *We Believe* by Fr Oscar Lukefahr

Date	Topic/Event	
September 13	Introduction and Tour of Church	
September 20	Things you've heard about Catholics and are they true?	
September 27	The Existence of God	Chap 1
October 4	The Judeo-Christian Religious Tradition	Chap 2
October 11	Jesus Enters Our Tradition	Chap 3
October 18	Jesus in His Followers and in His Word	Chap 4
October 25	The Trinity and the Church	Chap 5
November 1	No RCIA All Souls Day Mass at 9am & 7pm	
November 8	The Saints and the Communion of Saints	Chap 6
November 15	Jesus Brings Us to Fullness of Life	
November 22	No RCIA Thanksgiving Break	
November 29	Sacraments Baptism & Confirmation	Chap 7
December 4 (Sun)	11:15 am Mass Introduction of RCIA Members	
December 6	The Sacrament of the Eucharist: Christ's Meal and Sacrifice	Chap 8
December 13	Reconciliation: Jesus Forgives	Chap 9
December 20	No RCIA Christmas Break	
December 27	No RCIA Christmas Break	
January 3	The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick	Chap 10
January 10	The Sacrament of Holy Orders	Chap 11
January 17	The Sacrament of Matrimony (Marriage)	Chap 12
January 24	Ecumenism-Other Churches and Religions	
January 31	The Christian Call to Holiness	
February 7	Christian Life: Morality - Conscience	Chap 13
February 14	The Ten Commandments	Chap 14
February 21	Church History – A Synopsis	Chap 5 Pg 54-56
February 26 (Sun)	8:30 am Mass Rite of Sending 4:00 pm Rite of Elect at the Cathedral of St. Paul	
February 28	Catholic Social Teachings: Life Issues	
March 6	Prayer Communicating with God	Chap 15
March 11 (Sun)	8:30 am Mass First Scrutiny	
March 13	Pathway to Prayers: Private-Public Prayer-The Rosary	Chap 15
March 20	No RCIA Lenten Mission	
March 18 (Sun)	11:15 am Mass Second Scrutiny	
March 24 (Sat)	5 pm Mass Third Scrutiny	
March 27	Preparing for Holy Week	
April 3	Practice for Easter Vigil	
April 7 (Holy Sat)	8pm Mass Easter Vigil: Reception into the Church	
April 10	Pot Luck Invitation to Ministries	

