

Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church

invites our non-Catholic brothers and sisters to

RCIA • COME AND SEE What the Catholic Church is a

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults... The 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. Jn 1:36-37

Classes begin on <u>September 8, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.</u> and will be held every Tuesday evening in the Parish Hall.

The sessions will be led by Fr. Sexton with occasional guest presenters. For more information, please call the Church Office (205) 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.

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RCIA Sessions Tuesdays at 7pm 2015-2016



RCIA Team: Leader: Fr. Michael Sexton Presenters: Yolie Roy, Micky Zielinski, Tom Welch Refreshments & Environment: George Sobolowski & Debra Allen

Textbook: We Believe by Fr Oscar Lukefahr

Date	Topic/Event		Presenter
September 8	Introduction and Tour of Church		Fr. Sexton
September15	Things you've heard about Catholics: Are they true?		Yolie Roy
September 22	The Existence of God	Chap 1	Micky Zielinski
September 29	The Judeo-Christian Tradition	Chap 2	Micky Zielinski
October 6	Who is Jesus?	Chap 3	Fr. Sexton
October 13	Jesus in His Followers and in His Word	Chap 4	David Wesson
October 20	The Trinity	Chap 5	Fr. Sexton
October 27	The Church Human & Divine	Chap 5	Fr. Sexton
November 3	The Saints and the Communion of Saints	Chap 6	Micky Zielinski
November 10	Jesus Brings Us to Fullness of Life	Chap 7	Fr. Sexton
November 17	Sacraments Baptism & Confirmation	Chap 8	Tom Welch
November 24	No RCIA - Thanksgiving Break		
November 29 (1 st Sun Advent)	11:15 am Mass Introduction of RCIA Members		
December 1	The Sacrament of the Eucharist	Chap 9	Fr. Sexton
December 8	No RCIA - Immaculate Conception Mass at 7pm		
	Beginning of the Jubilee Year of Mercy		
December 15	Reconciliation: Jesus Forgives	Chap 10	Tom Welch
December 22	No RCIA - Christmas Break	•	
December 29	No RCIA - Christmas Break		
January 5	The Sacrament of Holy orders	Chap12	David Wesson
January 12	The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick	Chap 11	Fr. Sexton
January 19	The Sacrament of Marriage	Chap 13	Tom Welch
January 26	Ecumenism-Other Churches and Religions	•	Fr. Sexton
February 2	The Christian Call to Holiness		Fr. Sexton
February 9	Christian Life: Morality - Conscience	Chap 14	Fr. Sexton
February 14	11:15am Mass Rite of Sending	Mass (a.m.)	Bus & dinner
(1 st Sun of Lent)	4:00 pm Rite of Elect at the Cathedral of St. Paul	Service (p.m.)	RSVPs
February 16	The Ten Commandments	Chap 10 Pg123	Micky Zielinski
February 23	Walk through the Mass	Church	Fr. Sexton
March 1	No RCIA Lenten Mission		
March 6 (Sun)	8:30 am Mass First Scrutiny	Mass	
March 8	Catholic Social Teachings: Life Issues		Tom Welch
March 13 (Sun)	11:15 am Mass Second Scrutiny	Mass	
March 15	Prayer Communicating with God-Private Public Rosary	Chap 15	Micky Zielinski
March 20 (Sat)	5 pm Mass Third Scrutiny	Mass	
March 22	Practice for Easter Vigil	Church	Fr Sexton
March 26	8pm Mass Easter Vigil:	Mass	
Holy Saturday	Reception into the Church		
TBA	Pot Luck Invitation to Ministries		