

## **RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (R.C.I.A)**

***Our mission is to guide and care for interested adults as they are awakened in faith and introduce them to the Catholic way of life.***

Adults are drawn to Christ and to the church in many different ways, and for many different reasons. However they are drawn, RCIA is there to instruct and assist interested adults seeking the sacraments of initiation (Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation). *It's a process of awakening, growth and formation in faith that will help them become active members of the Catholic Church.*

We hold weekly sessions of faith sharing and teaching of Catholic doctrine, as well as scripture reflection with a team of catechists.

The process consists of carefully planned stages, marked by liturgical rites in the presence of the whole community in which new Catholics embark on, and join us, in a continuing and deepening conversion into faith and discipleship. The program was modeled after the processes for religious instruction practiced in the early Church.

<b>WHEN:</b>	<b>Every Tuesday evening, September to June</b>
<b>WHERE:</b>	<b>School lunch room</b>
<b>TIME:</b>	<b>8:30 to 10:00 pm</b> (refreshments are served)

Plus special Mass and meeting on Sundays during Lent,  
and a *Day of Prayer*

*Adults interested in just refreshing or increasing their knowledge about our Catholic faith are also welcome to join us.*

### ***Stewardship opportunities:***

A team of 4 to 6 is ideal. *Please consider joining our team. It's so rewarding!*

**What they do:** Share in teaching both scripture, and doctrine; offer personal reflection and support; possibly act as a sponsor.

### ***Qualifications:***

Deep faith, be able to communicate their love for God and each other, be warm and inviting, articulate. A training session is required.

*All interested adults are welcome to this special and exciting ministry!*