



***Are you seeking to know more about Jesus Christ and what his life means for yours?***

***Are you interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith?***

***Do you want to know why Catholics believe what they believe and do what they do?***

Maybe you have been to Mass for years and are now taking a look at becoming Catholic, or maybe you have never been in a Catholic Church. No matter your experience – WE WELCOME YOU!

To learn more about deepening your relationship with Jesus Christ, becoming part of a warm and supportive parish community, and understanding more about the Catholic Faith, we invite you to journey together with us in RCIA.

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### **What is the RCIA and what does it look like?**

RCIA stands for the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. The RCIA process introduces people to the practices and beliefs of the Catholic Church with a small supportive parish group called the RCIA team. The team and those seeking to learn more about the faith gather to pray, explore what the Church teaches and discuss how what we have learned affects our lives.

### **Who is RCIA for?**

RCIA is for anyone seeking to know more about the Catholic Faith, whether baptized or not baptized, practicing faith for years or having no experience of Jesus, seeking to become a part of the Catholic Faith or just wanting to learn more. Through RCIA, participants may become members of the Catholic Church through the Sacraments of Initiation if they discern that is the path they are being called to.

## **A Witness to the RCIA Process:**

What RCIA was for me, by Jon Mason:

RCIA was informative, clearing up many of the misconceptions I had about Catholics my entire life. The director, Jennifer, answered hard questions I asked with complete clarity, unafraid to discuss topics & history related to the faith.

I still have doubts about much of what Catholic clergy teach, but am always pursuing chances to learn & grow in my walk with Christ.

RCIA confirmed to me that the Catholic life was the clearest path to Heaven, and showed me how much support I have with the Holy Mother, angels, and saints supporting me through their guidance and prayers.

Since my baptism, I have never doubted that Christ has granted me his gift of salvation, and my "retirement plan" is secure. That is something I was previously never confident in.