

**To Schedule a training day for
your team please contact**

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Don't miss this opportunity for you team
to examine the Catechumenal Process in
depth and plan out your RCIA Process!!

Registration Fee:

There is a \$10/person fee to cover
lunch and printing costs.

*Scholarships Available: Please call for more info.
Checks can be made out to "Diocese of Phoenix"

***Catechist Certification Credit awarded
to those who attend the entire day.***

*- Counts towards Cat 105 Specialization
in the new Certification Process as well
as 6 hours in Methodology in the current
process.*



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TEAM TRAINING : RCIA & ADULT FAITH FORMATION



Parish based training
for all RCIA Leaders, Teams, and Adult
Educators

Provided by:

The Department of Family Catechesis
Office of Adult Evangelization

"Do you understand what you are reading?" He replied, "How can I, unless someone instructs me?"

- Acts 8:30

Course Description

The RCIA Process is the normative process of gradual conversion and as such all Adult Formation is connected to this model. Since adults ***"have the greatest responsibilities and the capacity to live the Christian message in its fully developed form"*** (CT 43) they must be presented with the Truths of the faith in a way that calls them to an active faith lived out within their daily lives. We are reminded that ***"The catechumenate is not a mere expounding of doctrines and precepts, but a training period in the whole Christian life, and an apprenticeship duty drawn out, during which disciples are joined to Christ their Teacher."*** - Ad Gentes. This course will review the RCIA process in detail reviewing the 4 major periods of the process and their application within RCIA and adult faith formation.

What will we do???

Based on the stages of the Initiation Process, this course is designed to:

- Help you communicate the faith in more effective ways from the first encounter until after the sacraments.
- Deepen your teams understanding of how adults and children learn through the liturgy and rites.
- Foster a renewed commitment to the initiation process.
- Give teams and leaders a variety of ways to inspire conversion in the Catechumens & Candidates before receiving the sacraments, and a strong faith life after.

"Comprehensive formation in the faith includes more than instruction: it is an apprenticeship of the entire Christian life, it is a "complete Christian initiation", which promotes an authentic following of Christ, focused on his Person; it implies education in knowledge of the faith and in the life of faith, in such a manner that the entire person, at his deepest levels, feels enriched by the word of God."
-GDC 67



Outline of Day

Session #1: Process of Conversion (Overview of RCIA)

Session #2: Fostering an evangelization encounter with Christ (Period of Evangelization)

Session #3: Catechesis According to Age (Period of Catechumenate)

Lunch

Session #4: Developing a Catechetical Session

Session #5: Fostering Prayer, purification & the devotional life (Period of Purification & Enlightenment)

Session #6: Promoting Service, vocation, & life long Mystagogical discipleship in Christ (Period of Mystagogy)

"To put it more precisely: within the whole process of evangelization, the aim of catechesis is to be the teaching and maturation stage, that is to say, the period in which the Christian, having accepted by faith the person of Jesus Christ as the one Lord and having given Him complete adherence by sincere conversion of heart, endeavors to know better this Jesus to whom he has entrusted himself: to know His "mystery," the kingdom of God proclaimed by Him, the requirements and promises contained in His Gospel message, and the paths that He has laid down for anyone who wishes to follow Him. - Catechesi Tradendae 20