



School of Evangelization

ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF BROOKLYN



Pastors, RCIA Coordinators, Sponsors, and Catechists are to assist those making a journey of faith by their teaching and example. There are three recommended resources: the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, the *YOUcat*, and the *United States Catholic Catechism for Adults*. The recommended calendar below is divided into the four periods as outlined by the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. ***This is the recommended RCIA model that should be adapted to meet your local parish needs and/or circumstances.***

I. INQUIRY/PRE-CATECHUMENATE:

August/September 2017 to December 3rd, 2017 (Advent)

*Ideally this period is to be ongoing.

II. CATECHUMENATE

December 3rd, 2017 (Advent) to December 2nd, 2018 (Advent) all the way through to the (Rite of Election) March, 2019.

III. PURIFICATION & ENLIGHTENMENT

(Lent) March, 2019 to (Easter) April, 2019

IV. MYSTAGOGY

Easter season 2019



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Unbaptized, Uncatechized Adult:

- ❖ Evangelization and Precatechumenate
- ❖ Rite of Acceptance into the Order of Catechumens (Catechumenate begins)
- ❖ Rite of Sending and the Rite of Election (Period of Purification & Enlightenment begins)
- ❖ Sacraments of Initiation (Easter Vigil)
- ❖ Neophyte Year (Post Easter Vigil)

Baptized, Uncatechized Adult

- ❖ Evangelization and Precatechumenate
- ❖ Rite of Welcoming the Candidates
- ❖ [Rite of Sending and] the Rite of Calling the Candidates to Continuing Conversion (Period of Purification & Enlightenment begins)
- ❖ For Non-Catholics: Reception of Baptized Christians into the Full Communion of the Catholic Church (Profession of Faith, Confirmation, Eucharist)
- ❖ For Catholics: Sacraments of Confirmation, Eucharist
- ❖ The celebration of the *sacrament of reconciliation* with candidates for reception into full communion is to be carried out at a time prior to and distinct from the celebration of the rite of reception (RCIA Study Guide: Appendix III, n. 36, n.482)
- ❖ Neophyte Year (Post Easter Vigil)

Baptized, Catechized Christian

- ❖ Rite of Welcoming the Candidates
- ❖ [Rite of Sending and] Calling the Candidates to Continuing Conversion
- ❖ Purification and Enlightenment
- ❖ Reception of Baptized Christians into the Full Communion of the Catholic Church