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Promoting the Vision of Christian Initiation



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n. a gathering place for catechumenal formation and prayer

What is Catechumeneon?

Liturgy Training Publications continues its commitment to training parish leaders and catechumenal ministers with its new initiative *Catechumeneon*. The naming of this initiative is inspired by an ancient Greek word used to describe the meeting place for catechumens; it is a place for prayer, study, and formation. LTP's *Catechumeneon* is a collection of training and print resources focused on Christian initiation and designed to assist parishes with understanding and implementing the vision of the *Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults*. Rooted in the vision of the rite, *Catechumeneon* resources and training opportunities will provide catechists and other initiation ministers the formation and tools they need to journey with catechumens as they approach the waters of rebirth.



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www.Catechumeneon.org

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Calendar of Events: LTP is working with dioceses and parishes around the country to provide one-, two-, or three-day training events. Keep an eye on the calendar of events for opportunities near you.

Online Forum: Ask questions, seek best practices, connect with others around the world. The online forum is free for registered users and includes virtual bulletin boards on the rites, catechesis, RCIA adapted for children, baptized candidates, and canonical issues. You can reach **Catechumeneon** team members and LTP editors through this forum.

Catechumeneon Quarterly: A free virtual newsletter includes articles, best practices, pastoral reflections, a calendar of events, and sample pages of resources to assist you in your ministry.

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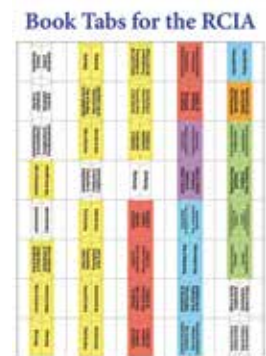
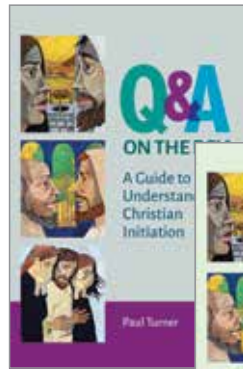
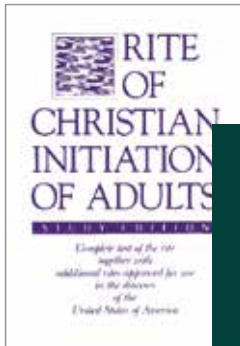
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Liturgy Training Publications is prepared to work with your parish, diocese, or region in providing training and formation events that are rooted in the vision of the *Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults* and other liturgical areas. For more information, please contact LTP's Conference and Events Coordinator, Liliana Ortiz at 773-579-4900 ext. 3514, or by e-mail at training@LTP.org.



Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Study Edition

Study, reflect, and prepare for the liturgy with this comprehensive introduction to the entire RCIA, with commentary and ample space for notes.

Paperback, 7 x 10, 400 pages

English: 978-0-93046-794-4 | Order code: PRCIA \$27

Rito de la Iniciación cristiana de adultos

Edición de estudio

Full Spanish-language study edition of the *Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults* approved for use in the United States by the Holy See and the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops.

Paperback, 8 1/2 x 11, 384 pages

Spanish: 978-1-55586-509-2 | Order code: SRICA \$19.95

Q&A on the RCIA

A Guide to Understanding Christian Initiation

Paul Turner

Q&A on the RCIA: A Guide to Understanding Christian Initiation is an easy-to-use resource that will assist RCIA teams, catechists, liturgists, priests, and deacons as they navigate the initiation process. Written in a pastoral and succinct way, this resource answers many frequently asked questions about the process of Christian initiation and its rites.

Paperback, 6 x 9, 128 pages

English: 978-1-61671-447-5 | Order code: EQARCIA \$15.95

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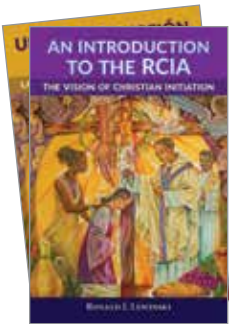
Spanish version available September 2019

Book Tabs for the RCIA

Use these forty color-coded, self-adhesive tabs to mark the major divisions and rites found in the *Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults*. Created for use with U.S. English editions of the *Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults*. Adaptable for use with other English editions.

Single sheet

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An Introduction to the RCIA

The Vision of Christian Initiation

Ronald J Lewinski

In this resource, Fr. Ronald J. Lewinski provides a basic and thorough introduction to the Church's vision of Christian initiation. This resource

also guides initiation ministers through the various rituals and steps of the RCIA through the lens of conversion, evangelization, and discipleship. This guide is an excellent resource for new and experienced initiation ministers, as well as those who seek a deeper understanding of how the Church welcomes and initiates adult Catholic Christians.

An Introduction to the RCIA also includes:

- Questions for discussion and reflection at the end of each chapter
- Frequently asked questions
- An appendix with the periods and steps in the RCIA
- An outline of the Rites of the RCIA
- A glossary for reference

Paperback, 6 x 9, 112 pages

English: 978-1-61671-355-3 | Order code: EIR CIA

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Single copy: **\$7.95** | 2-4 copies: **\$6.95** each | 5 or more: **\$4.95** each

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The Catechumenal Process Overview Chart

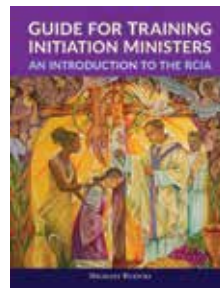
This five-panel chart provides easy access to the periods, rites, persons, and other key aspects of the *Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults*.

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Spanish: 978-1-61671-131-3 | Order code: SCPOC

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Guide for Training Initiation Ministers

An Introduction to the RCIA

Michael Ruzicki

This practical guide provides parish leaders with the tools needed for facilitating and training all those involved with the adult Christian initiation process. Designed as a companion to *An Introduction to the RCIA: The Vision of Christian Initiation*, the enclosed training sessions explore the vision, theology, and purpose of the *Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults* in a lively, interactive, and faith-filled way. Supplemental resources are available for download online, and the enclosed DVD includes thirteen videos that will deepen and enlighten participants' understanding about the RCIA process.

Book with disk, 8 1/2 x 11, 144 pages

978-1-61671-354-6 | Order code: EIRCIAG **\$59.95**



Guide for Celebrating Christian Initiation with Adults

Victoria M. Tufano, Paul Turner, D. Todd Williamson

This invaluable guide for preparing the liturgies for the rites of Christian initiation will assist priests, liturgists, liturgy commissions, and coordinators of Christian initiation.

Paperback, 6 x 9, 176 pages

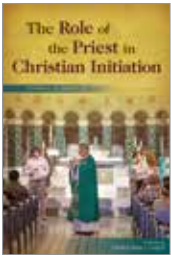
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Resources for Parish Leaders

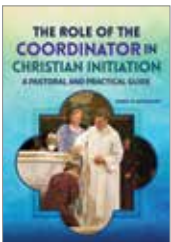


The Role of the Priest in Christian Initiation

Stephen S. Wilbricht, csc

This resource guides priests through the periods and steps of the *Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults*, pointing out their role as shepherds to the community. A table provides an easy reference to the steps and periods of the process.

Paperback, 6 x 9, 176 pages
978-1-61671-344-7 | Order code: RPCI **\$18.95**
E-book: **\$15.95**



The Role of the Coordinator in Christian Initiation

A Pastoral and Practical Guide

Donna M. Eschenauer

This resource forms Christian initiation coordinators in the many aspects of their role. It provides the vision of the *Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults*, outlines the roles of the coordinator in animating the parish and forming the team, and presents catechesis as framed within liturgical prayer. *The Role of the Coordinator in Christian Initiation* offers many practical tips to help the process flow smoothly in the parish.

Paperback, 7 x 10, 112 pages
978-1-61671-362-1 | Order code: ERCCI **\$9.95**
E-book: **\$15.95**



Year-Round Catechumenate

Mary Birmingham

This innovative book encourages readers to rethink the common model of a Christian initiation program based on the school year.

Paperback, 6 x 9, 168 pages
978-1-61671-412-0 | Order code: YRCAT **\$16.95**

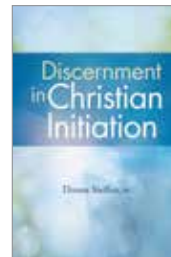


Preaching for Discipleship

Michael E. Connors, csc

This resource provides homilists and catechists with the tools to evangelize not only the catechumens present, but also to capture the imagination of the parish community so they too realize their role in Christian initiation.

Paperback, 6 x 9, 256 pages
978-1-61671-417-8 | Order code: PDH **\$21.95**
Ebook: **\$17.95**



Discernment in Christian Initiation

Donna Steffen, sc

A great resource for sponsors and initiation ministers, this volume describes both the process and experience of discerning entrance into the church. Suggestions are included for how to support candidates throughout the decision-making process.

Paperback, 6 x 9, 144 pages
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Catechumeneon Quarterly

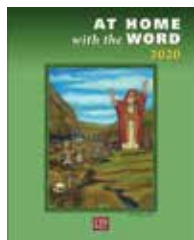
Published four times a year, this digital newsletter offers a variety of articles, pastoral reflections, and best practices by liturgists and practitioners of the RCIA, which aim to deepen one's knowledge of the RCIA and strengthen the ministry of initiation in the parish. A calendar of events will highlight future in-person and virtual training opportunities.

Sign-up on www.Catechumeneon.org.

Downloadable, 8.5 x 11, approx. 14 pages
Quarterly Newsletter: **FREE**



Lectionary-Based Resources



At Home with the Word® 2020

At Home with the Word® guides catechumens, candidates, and all the baptized faithful to a deeper understanding of the Sunday Scriptures, providing the readings for this liturgical year, insights from Scripture scholars, and action steps. Additional reflection questions and action steps for families, Christian initiation, and adult faith-sharing groups may be downloaded from the LTP Website.

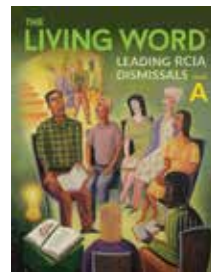
Paperback, 8 x 10, 144 pages
English: 978-1-61671-454-3 | Order code: AHW20
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Palabra de Dios™ 2020

Palabra de Dios™ guides you to a deeper understanding of the Sunday Scriptures, providing the readings for this liturgical year, insights from Pastoral leaders, and action steps to strengthen your Catholic identity in the world.

Paperback, 8 3/8 x 10 7/8, 160 pages
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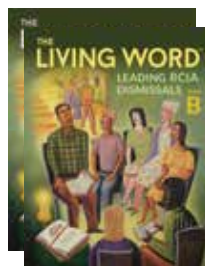
The Living Word™

Leading RCIA Dismissals, Year A

Lesia Anslinger, Mary A. Ehle, Biagio Mazza, Victoria M. Tufano

This easy-to-use resource provides initiation ministers with the pastoral tools needed to lead dismissal sessions with adults preparing for Baptism. Through reflection and discussion, each dismissal session guide helps to develop the catechumen's relationship with Christ, self, and neighbor by internalizing the Word, concentrating their prayer around the Scriptures, and becoming familiar with the teachings of the Church. The step-by-step format makes leading the dismissal an easy and prayerful experience.

Paperback, 8 1/2 x 11, 352 pages
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Now a permanent series organized around the liturgical year, the *Celebrating the Lectionary®* series is designed to acquaint children of all ages with the rituals, teachings, and prayers of our faith through engaging lessons. Each session takes 15-20 minutes and encourages children to recognize the inherent connections between the lectionary, the liturgy, Church teachings, and the liturgical calendar.

Single copy: **\$30** | 2 or more: **\$25** each
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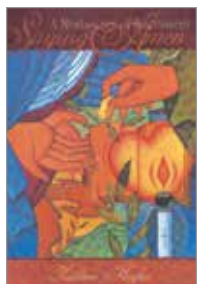
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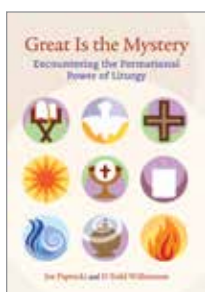
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A Mystagogy of Sacrament

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This book explores a new way of contemplating the liturgy, a mystagogical way based on the actual experiences of women and men at prayer.

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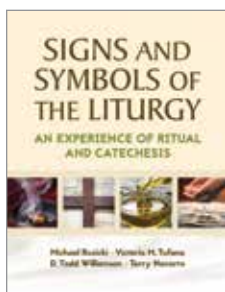
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Joe Paprocki, D. Todd Williamson

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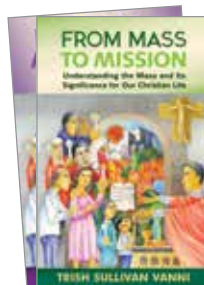
Signs and Symbols of the Liturgy

An Experience of Ritual and Catechesis

Michael Ruzicki, Victoria M. Tufano, D. Todd Williamson, Terry Navarra

This resource helps you prepare a reverent, artful, and interactive experience of the symbols of the liturgy followed by reflection on their meaning for groups of adults or teens.

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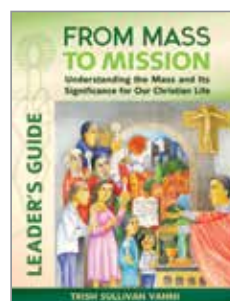
From Mass to Mission

Understanding the Mass and Its Significance for Our Christian Life

Trish Sullivan Vanni, Paul Turner

Designed for adult formation groups, this insightful resource provides an exploration of the Mass and its importance in our life of faith and Christian discipleship.

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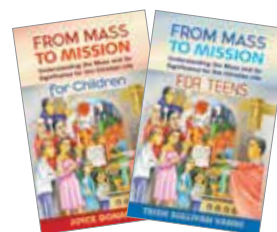
LEADER'S GUIDE

Trish Sullivan Vanni

The DVD-ROM will help adult faith formation leaders lead effective formation sessions and discus-

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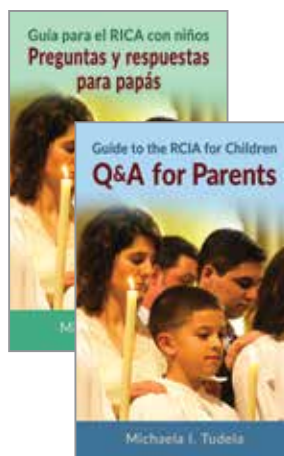
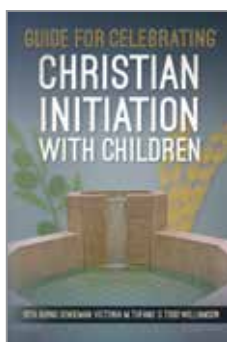
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RCIA Adapted for Children



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Guide to Adapting the RCIA for Children

Rita Burns Senseman

This resource aims to recognize and acknowledge that children of varying ages and states of faith formation undergo a variety of paths to Christian initiation.

Paperback, 6 x 9, 160 pages

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Guide for Celebrating Christian Initiation with Children

Rita Burns Senseman, Victoria M. Tufano, Paul Turner, D. Todd Williamson

Those preparing the liturgies of the *Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults* that include children will find this resource to be invaluable.

Paperback, 6 x 9, 160 pages

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Guide to the RCIA for Children: Q&A for Parents

Michaela I. Tudela

This booklet helps parents or guardians of children seeking to become Catholic better understand why and how their child will undergo RCIA and not simply be folded into a religious ed class. It addresses concerns and clarifies misconceptions about the process. Give this resource to the parents or guardians at the end of the first face-to-face meeting to reinforce the basics.

Saddlestitched, 5 3/8 x 8 3/8, 16 pages

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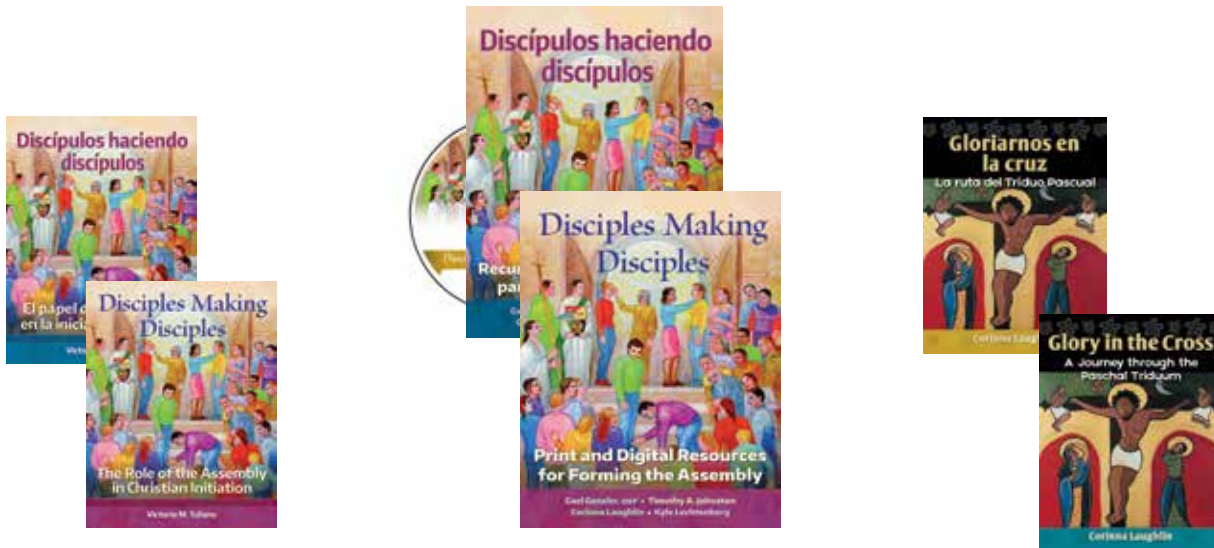
Sydney Ann Merritt

These guided meditations can help children make sense of the rites of Christian Initiation and connect their personal experiences to Jesus' story.

Paperback, 5 1/2 x 8 1/2, 160 pages

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Disciples Making Disciples

The Role of the Assembly in Christian Initiation

Victoria M. Tufano

Help your entire assembly understand its role in welcoming and forming newcomers in the faith with this little booklet.

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Disciples Making Disciples

Print and Digital Resources for Forming the Assembly

Gael Gensler, OSF; Timothy A. Johnston; Corinna Laughlin; Kyle Lechtenberg

Use *Disciples Making Disciples* CD-ROM year after year to encourage assembly participation and fulfill their baptismal mission of helping to form new Christians.

Book with disk, 8¹/₂ x 11

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Glory in the Cross

A Journey through the Paschal Triduum

Corinna Laughlin

The Paschal Triduum is the heart of the liturgical year. This sacred season brings us more deeply into the life, death, and Resurrection of Jesus Christ—the Paschal Mystery. This inspiring booklet provides a spiritual journey through the Three Days by exploring the rituals that take place on Holy Thursday evening, Good Friday, Holy Saturday, and Easter Sunday. The questions at the end of each short chapter will help readers to glory in our Lord's Cross and live it in their lives.

Saddlestitched, 4¹/₄ x 5¹/₂, 32 pages

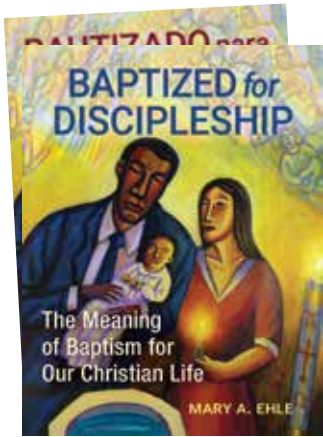
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Additional Resources



Baptized for Discipleship

The Meaning of Baptism for Our Christian Life

Mary A. Ehle

Through the waters of Baptism, a new Christian is freed from sin, shares in the death and Resurrection of Christ, and is made a

member of the Body of Christ, the Church.

This short booklet explores the Catholic understanding of the Sacrament of Baptism and the baptized Christian's important role in sharing the light of Christ. The questions at the end of each short chapter help readers reflect upon what it means to be a Christian disciple in the world today, living lives of justice, charity, and love.

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Guide for Sponsors, Fourth Edition

Ronald J. Lewinski

In its fourth edition, this popular resource provides solid direction for those members of your faith communities who serve as sponsors.

Saddlestitched, 6 x 9, 80 pages

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How Do I Become Catholic?

This free short video provides a basic overview of the Christian initiation process, answers questions of those seeking to be baptized, and includes personal reflections of those recently baptized.

The free video can be found, shared, and viewed on Vimeo and YouTube.

Digital Video | Code: HBCV **FREE**



What Does It Mean to Be an RCIA Sponsor?

This is the perfect resource to use in recruiting sponsors and helping catechumens and candidates to identify the desired qualities of a sponsor.

Pamphlet, Packs of 25, 3 5/16 x 7 7/8

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Single packet: \$9.95 | 2-4 packs: \$7.95 each | 5 or more: \$5.95 each



How Do I Become Catholic?

Sensitive to the journey of faith already begun by the baptized, this pamphlet addresses common questions about full communion with the Church.

Pamphlet, Packs of 25, 3 5/16 x 7 7/8

English: 978-1-56854-715-2 | Order code: EUCBCP

Spanish: 978-1-56854-757-2 | Order code: SUCBCP

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Book of the Elect

Inscribed with quotes from the *Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults*, this book offers your parish a place to record the names of each year's elect.

Hardcover, 9 x 12, 128 pages

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Celebrating the Rites of Adult Initiation

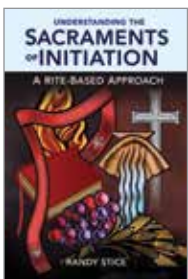
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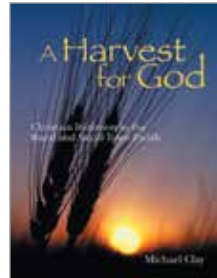
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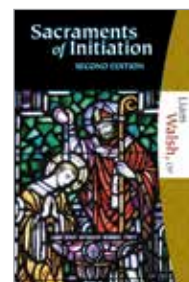
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In-Person Training Events

Catechumeneon events are a great way to gather Christian initiation ministers from around your diocese or region for a time of focused training and formation. Participants will explore the vision of the *Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults*, learn skills needed for effective ministry, and spend time in prayer and fellowship. The team of Catechumeneon presenters speak from their vast experience and invite attendees to deepen their experience through discussion and reflection. Because everyone learns in a different way, the day is structured to include lecture, stories, videos, song, and hands-on skills training. Ritual celebrations are included to exemplify the transformative power of liturgy.

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The Catechumen's Journey: An Experiential Workshop for Christian Initiation Ministers

☀️☀️☀️🌙 3-DAY, 2-NIGHT **OR**
☀️🌙 2-DAY, 1-NIGHT EVENT

The RCIA is a spiritual journey for both the catechumens and the parish community. It is an extended time of prayer and formation during which the unbaptized candidates are apprenticed in faith to the baptized faithful. Conducted in a retreat-like manner, this training event will offer participants an experiential understanding of the RCIA as they walk through its periods and rites. Together they will participate in catechesis, ritual celebration, and apostolic witness adapted from the vision of the RCIA. Many involved in the Church's initiation ministry have not shared in the experience of the catechumens and candidates; this institute will help the participants understand the RCIA from both sides.



To Emmaus and Back: Liturgy and Catechesis

☀️🌙 2-DAY, 1-NIGHT **OR**
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The disciples who met Jesus on the road to Emmaus recognized him in the breaking of bread, but they needed to be catechized first. With their hearts and eyes opened by Scripture and careful teaching, they could see the Risen Lord. Then they joyfully raced back to Jerusalem to share the good news. Those involved in initiation ministry walk that same Paschal journey with catechumens and candidates year after year. Participants will be challenged and invigorated to consider the many ways in which "catechesis both precedes the liturgy and springs from it" (*National Directory for Catechesis*, 33).



The RCIA Adapted for Children

☀️☀️🌙 2-DAY, 1-NIGHT **OR**
☀️🌙 1-DAY, 1-NIGHT EVENT

This workshop aims to recognize and acknowledge that children of varying ages and states of faith formation undergo a variety of paths to Christian initiation. However, using the rite itself as a backbone, this series of workshops will help RCIA coordinators, catechists, and DREs with suggestions on how to adapt the rite for children. Participants will learn about various parish-tested models, consider sample catechetical sessions, and explore ways to collaboratively prepare the liturgical rites.



Building Your Team: The Call to Serve Includes all the Baptized

☀️ 1-DAY EVENT

RCIA, 4, states that "the initiation of catechumens . . . takes place within the community of the faithful" where they continually serve as examples of Christian discipleship. This event will explain the role of the parish community in the formation of catechumens and the responsibility of the gathered assembly at the various liturgical celebrations. Parishes will build their RCIA "team" when they build the faithful's awareness and involve them in all aspects of catechumenal ministry.



In-Person Training Events



The Year-Round Catechumenate

- ☀️🌙 2-DAY, 1-NIGHT *OR*
- ☀️🌙 1-DAY, 1-NIGHT EVENT

The *Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults* describes an initiation process that exists at the heart of the Church's life and on the same schedule as the Church: every day, all year long. This process calls us to adapt our ministry to the needs of the diverse people with whom we minister and welcome people when God calls them. This event will help you imagine, envision, understand, implement, and sustain a year-round catechumenate in your parish.



The Reception of Baptized Christians

- ☀️ 1-DAY EVENT

The Reception of Baptized Christians into the Full Communion of the Catholic Church has as its goal communion and unity. This workshop examines the connection that Catholics have to other Christians by virtue of their Baptism. The presenters will pay special attention to those candidates who are catechized and those who are uncatechized. This workshop will help clergy, coordinators, and teams explore suitable ways to offer catechesis and choose the appropriate time to celebrate the rite.



Water, Light, and Life: A Lenten Retreat for the Elect and their Godparents

- ☀️ 1-DAY EVENT

The Period of Purification and Enlightenment calls the elect in to a time of "intense spiritual preparation" (RCIA, 7). This event will serve as an opportunity for the elect and their godparents to set time aside for a day of reflection and prayer. Scripture, song, silence, and discussion will assist participants in discovering Christ; the living water, the light of the world, the resurrection and the life.



Called to Serve: The Deacon's Role in Christian Initiation

- ☀️ 1-DAY EVENT FOR DEACON FORMATION

RCIA 15 states that "deacons should be ready to assist in the ministry to catechumens." Throughout the initiation process, the deacon may preside over a variety of ritual celebrations, lead catechetical sessions, and organize opportunities of apostolic witness and service. This event gathers deacons to explore the vision of the RCIA through their specific ministry.



The Priest as Shepherd of Christian Initiation

- ☀️ 1-DAY EVENT FOR PRIEST FORMATION

This workshop explores the pastoral responsibilities of the priest as shepherd to those coming to faith in Christ through his Church. As outlined in paragraph 13 of the RCIA, the priest is to preside at the sacraments and other rites, encourage those who are hesitant or discouraged, teach the faith, and be involved in the selection of godparents. These responsibilities, as well as the pastor's central role in caring for and catechizing the newly baptized during the period of mystagogy, will be addressed in this workshop.

For more information, pricing details, and additional topics, call Michael Ruzicki, LTP Training and Events Manager, at 773-579-4900, ext. 3531 or email training@ltp.org.

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Virtual Training

The Essentials of Christian Initiation

The Essentials of Christian Initiation (ECI), a six-week virtual training course, provides a basic and thorough introduction to the *Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults* and serves as a foundation to implementing the vision of Christian initiation ministry in a parish setting. Each ninety-minute session will be a collaborative form of learning that combines expert presentations on the theology and practice of Christian initiation ministry with a chance to engage in discussion with others in the course. Participants will be assigned texts to read and videos to watch between weekly sessions. They will also receive access to a special website that includes additional downloads, supplemental videos, and a class forum.



An Introduction to the RCIA

SEPTEMBER 23–OCTOBER 28, 2019

The course guides participants through the various periods and steps of the RCIA through the lens of conversion, evangelization, and discipleship. Additionally, sessions will include the principles of initiation ministry and the role of the baptized faithful in the catechumenal process.

Sessions run from 8:00–9:30pm EST on Monday evenings.

Cost: \$150 per participant

For more information or to register for these courses, visit www.TEOCI.org.

Recruiting and Forming Your Parish's Initiation Team

JANUARY 27–MARCH 2, 2020

This will help new and veteran ministers consider the role of a parish team, help them reflect on recruiting and maintaining a team, as well as the role formation plays in developing a team. Sessions will include team selection, discernment of gifts, involving the parish community, and the spirituality formation of initiation ministers.

Sessions run from 8:00–9:30pm EST on Monday evenings.
January 27–March 2, 2020

Cost: \$150 per participant

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Have an idea for training or want to see a list of workshops? Contact training@ltp.org to begin the conversation.





Team of Catechumeneon Presenters

LTP's team of presenters includes authors of our trusted resources and other experienced ministers of Christian initiation. They are clergy, catechists, liturgists, and musicians. Each presenter has been formed in effective adult faith formation methods. If you are interested in being considered as a member of the team of *Catechumeneon* presenters, contact us at training@ltp.org.



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