

## **THE ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS**

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### **PART ONE: BEGINNING THE JOURNEY**

**Sept. 22 – Nov. 17, 2011 at St. Michael**

#### **PRECATECHUMENATE, INQUIRY, EVANGELIZATION**

During this period candidates and catechumens experience a movement of the Spirit in their own hearts which causes them to seek information or respond to an invitation to deepen their faith as they seek out what it means to be a Catholic. This time concludes with **THE RITE OF ACCEPTANCE**.

<b><u>DATE</u></b>	<b><u>TIME</u></b>	<b><u>FOCUS</u></b>	<b><u>PRESENTER</u></b>
Sept. 22	7:00 PM	Welcome / Introduction to RCIA	Bl. Sac. Team
Sept. 29	7:00 PM	God, Father / Creator #1, 2	Msgr. Augustine
Oct. 6	7:00 PM	Bible, Revelation / Inspiration	Fr. Gary Snyder
Oct. 13	7:00 PM	Hebrew Scriptures (OT)	Fred Karpuk
Oct. 20	7:00 PM	Jesus #3, 4	Sr. Jean Ann
Oct. 27	7:00 PM	Christian Scriptures (NT)	Fr. Gary Snyder
Nov. 3	7:00 PM	Holy Spirit / Trinity #5, 6	Imogene DeSmet
Nov. 10	7:00 PM	Church / People of God #7, 8	Msgr. Augustine
Nov. 17	7:00 PM	Cath. Devotions / Mary #10	Larry Sitzman
Dec. 1	7:00 PM	Tour of Church / Practice	Parish Church
Dec. 3	4:30 PM	Rite of Acceptance	Parish Church

## **PART TWO: JOURNEY OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD**

**Dec. 8, 2011 – Feb. 16, 2012 at Blessed Sacrament**

### **CATECHUMENATE:**

This period is a time devoted to formal preparation for full initiation. During this time, catechumens and candidates: grow in their faith by developing and understanding the Church teachings. They also learn to pray alone and with the faith community by interacting with members of the Christian community while participating in liturgical rites, especially the Liturgy of the Word. In addition, they learn about Christian service and about sharing their Christian faith. This time concludes with **THE RITE OF ELECTION.**

<b><u>DATE</u></b>	<b><u>TIME</u></b>	<b><u>FOCUS</u></b>	<b><u>PRESENTER</u></b>
Dec. 8	7:00 PM	Church History	Brendan Burchard
Dec. 15	7:00 PM	Sacraments / Grace #12	Msgr. Augustine
Jan. 5	7:00 PM	Baptism #13	Msgr. Augustine
Jan. 12	7:00 PM	Confirmation #13	Fred Karpuk
Jan. 19	7:00 PM	Eucharist #14	Msgr. Augustine
Jan. 26	7:00 PM	Mass #14	Sr. Jean Ann
Feb. 2	7:00 PM	Sacraments of Healing #15	Fr. Merlin Schrad
Feb. 9	7:00PM	Holy Orders / Matrimony #16	Dick Billings
Feb. 16	7:00 PM	Foundations of Morality #17	Msgr. Augustine
Feb. 22	7:00PM	Ash Wednesday Mass / Practice	Parish Church
Feb. 25	4:30PM	Rite of Enrollment / Sending	St. Michael Ch.
Feb. 26	7:00PM	Rite of Election	Cathedral

### **PART THREE: TIME OF PURIFICATION/ENLIGHTENMENT**

#### **Mar.1 – March 22, 2012 at Blessed Sacrament**

#### **ENLIGHTENMENT AND PURIFICATION: (LENT)**

This is a time for reflecting on one's religious experience and faith. It includes prayers (healings), presentations (candidates and catechumens receive the Apostles Creed and the Our Father), and preparations for when they will receive the Sacraments of Initiation, and become full members of the Church at the Easter Vigil. This time concludes with full initiation.

<b><u>DATE</u></b>	<b><u>TIME</u></b>	<b><u>FOCUS</u></b>	<b><u>PRESENTER</u></b>
March 1	7:00PM	Social Justice #18	Bernadette Rixner
March 8	7:00 PM	Commandments / Precepts #19, 20, 21	Imogene DeSmet
March 15	7:00PM	Prayer / Discernment #22	Sr. Jean Ann
March 22	7:00PM	Com. of Saints / Final Destiny #11	Dick Billings
March 29	7:00 PM	Reconciliation / Practice	Parish Church
April 7	8:30 PM	Rite of Profession of Faith	Parish Church

### **PART FOUR: TIME OF POST-BAPTISMAL CATECHESIS**

#### **April 12, 2012 at St. Michael**

#### **MYSTAGOGIA:**

This time reminds us that the fifty days between Easter and Pentecost are as important to the life of the parish as are the forty days of Lent. With the rest of the community, the new members focus on developing a deeper understanding of Jesus' death and resurrection by: sharing in the sacraments, especially the Eucharist; reading and studying the Scriptures; praying; and living the Gospel in their daily lives.

<b><u>DATE</u></b>	<b><u>TIME</u></b>	<b><u>FOCUS</u></b>	<b><u>PRESENTER</u></b>
April 12	7:00 PM	Pot Luck Dinner	Families / Team

**St. Michael Parish Dismissal and Rites:**

Dec. 3	4:30 PM	Rite of Welcome
Feb. 25	4:30 PM	Rite of Enrollment / Sending
Feb. 26	7:00 PM	Rite of Election (Cathedral)
March 4	9:00 AM	Prayer / Dismissal
March 11	11:00 AM	1 <sup>st</sup> Healing Prayers / Dismissal
March 18	9:00 AM	2 <sup>nd</sup> Healing Prayers / Dismissal
March 25	11:00 PM	3 <sup>rd</sup> Healing Prayers / Dismissal
March 29	7:00 PM	Reconciliation / Practice
April 7	8:30 PM	Easter Vigil