

RCIA

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the Church's ritual process for calling adults to a conversion of mind and heart and preparing them for a full and active life in the Church as disciples of Jesus. Although the full process of becoming a Catholic is referred to as a rite, it involves more than liturgical ceremonies. A number of elements form the whole process. Key among these elements are evangelization, engagement with the community, catechesis, formation for mission and sacraments of initiation.

The Rites include:

- Rite of Welcome and Acceptance
- Rites of Sending and Election to be determined by the Diocese of Greensburg.
- Scrutinies will take place on the third, fourth and fifth Sundays of Lent, 2012.
- The Catechumens will receive the Sacraments of Initiation and the Candidates will make their Profession of Faith on April 7, 2012 during the Easter Vigil .

Sacramental Prep Schedule

Oct. 25	*Feb. 7
Nov. 22	Feb. 21
Dec. 6	Mar. 6
*Jan. 24	Mar. 20

All sessions will be held at St. Helen Hall in Fairchance from 6:00 to 7:30 P.M.

*Confirmation sessions—required for 2nd, 3rd, and 4th grades.



Date	Lesson Themes
Oct. 2	The Mass Greetings and Dialogues
Oct. 16	The Penitential Rite: A Change of Heart; The Gloria
Oct. 23	The Nicene Creed Preface Dialogues and Sanctus
Nov. 6	The Eucharistic Prayer The Communion Rite and The Concluding Rite
Apr. 1	Praying the Liturgy of the Hours I
May 6	Praying the Liturgy of the Hours II

All sessions will begin at 4:00 in St. Helen Hall with a covered dish meal. They will conclude at approximately 7:00 P.M.

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From Our Pastor

In the present-day Church, the transmission of our faith is done involving all age groups, and not focusing only on teenagers or the very young. It is our baptismal responsibility, at any age, to grow in and learn our faith, and to be engaged continually in the knowledge and love of God. It takes our entire lifetime to rediscover Him and to grow in the Grace of His Sacraments.

Our Generations of Faith program this year focuses on The Official Prayer of the Church. The fast-approaching date for the implementation of the revised translation of the Mass prayers and responses on Nov. 27 necessitates a departure from our regular first-Sunday-of-the-month format. In these first four sessions, we will prepare for the changes that will be taking place.

As you will note on your brochure, two sessions that will take place in the spring of 2012 deal with 'The Liturgy of the Hours'. The Liturgy of the Hours (also known as the Divine Office or Breviary) is the richest single prayer resource of the Christian Church. Liturgy of the Hours, as a form of prayer, is not reserved exclusively for professed religious, but for all Christian believers.

In all GOF sessions, the majority of the study is done at home, which represents the 'Domestic Church', using the home packets. Parents, in a very special way, have the great responsibility to make sure that their children are formed in their Catholic faith- not only by teaching them at home, but also by attending with them faith formation sessions of GOF and Sacramental Preparation for First Holy Communion.



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Registration for Generations of Faith "The Official Prayers of the Church"

*Name _____

*Address _____

E-mail _____

Phone# _____

Cell# _____

Adults in your household who will be attending: _____
*Please provide if mailing label is missing or incorrect.

Children who will be attending:

_____ Age _____ Grade _____

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_____ Age _____ Grade _____

_____ (Name)

Will any of the above children be attending Sacramental Preparation Class? _____ Making Phone Calls

I can help with _____ Set-up and Environment _____ Prayer Service _____ Clean-up _____ Instruction _____

_____ Preparing Home Packets _____ Registration _____ Making Phone Calls

Enclosed is \$20.00. This is a one-time payment, and will cover all members of a household for all sessions. *Please make checks payable to St. Cyril and Methodius.* You may mail this fee, along with this registration form to the parish office, or drop into the collection basket.

Please note: Participants will be grouped as follows: Adults, Adolescents (grades 6-12), and Families with Children (grades K-5) One parent/guardian must remain with the child in this age group.