

Sharing in God's Divine Life
is open to all!



Do you, or someone you love, desire **Baptism?**

ADULTS

You are welcome to join our RCIA sessions on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays at 7^{pm} throughout the summer. Beginning in September, RCIA meets every Tuesday and participates in Mass dismissals (a special opportunity to reflect and apply the Gospel to our lives) at the 10:30^{am} Sunday Mass.

All three Sacraments of Initiation – Baptism, First Eucharist, and Confirmation – will be conferred on **Easter Vigil, March 31, 2018.**

Call now to learn more or to sign up for RCIA. Stop by the parish office or call Veronica at (661) 323-3108 EXT 1.

What is Baptism?

- Holy Baptism is the basis of the whole Christian life,
- the gateway to life in the Spirit,
- and the door which gives access to the other sacraments.
- Through Baptism we are freed from sin and reborn as sons of God;
- we become members of Christ,
- are incorporated into the Church and made sharers in her mission.

What is RCIA?

From the time of the apostles, becoming a Christian has been accomplished by a journey and initiation in several stages. Certain essential elements will always be present in this journey: proclamation of the Word, acceptance of the Gospel entailing conversion, profession of faith, Baptism itself, the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, and admission to Eucharistic communion. These stages are found in the **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)**.

What if I've been baptized but not received First Communion?

If you have been baptized as a Catholic but did not receive First Holy Communion or Confirmation, you are invited to join RCIA to prepare to receive the Sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation on Easter Vigil (March 31, 2018).

What if I've been baptized in another Christian faith?

If you were baptized into a mainstream Christian church, you are not baptized again. You are invited to join RCIA to prepare for full reception into the Catholic Church and receive the Sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation on Easter Vigil.