

# RCIA



## VOLUNTEER INFORMATION

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To ensure that the RCIA Candidates and Catechumens are well-served on their discernment journey, the parish has a need for volunteers to assist in the following capacities:

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### **Bible Tabbing**

**Commitment:** once, early November

**Time Commitment:** time to tab Bible

- Tab Bible
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### **Catechists**

**Commitment:** once, may choose to present more than once

**Time Commitment:** preparation plus presentation of approximately 20 minutes, Q&A to follow on scheduled Wednesday

- Present church teachings on a pre-determined topic which includes key points
- Topic and date to be chosen in consultation with the RCIA Coordinator and Catechist Coordinator
- Content review with Pastoral Team and approach review with Catechist Coordinator a minimum of two weeks before presentation
- Specific points to be covered (3-5) in the session are provided as guidance for what is presented

**Period Needed:** Catechumenate

**Support Provided:** Catechist Training Session, 3-5 key points to be presented, materials to gather presentation content, Priest & RCIA Coordinator to assist with preparation and session questions

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### **Breaking open the word through mass Dismissal**

**Commitment:** once, per rotation of all volunteers, but flexible

**Time Commitment:** Week-end Mass, dismissal after Liturgy of the Word, Mass time will rotate each week, approx. 20 min

- Break Open the Word with the Catechumens and Candidates
- Reflect on the word of God just heard at Mass in the Liturgy of the Word
- Help the Catechumens and Candidates hear how God is speaking to directly them
- Dismissal has a specified structure (training is provided)

**Period Needed:** Catechumenate

**Support Provided:** Dismissal Training Session, Dismissal Process Outline

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## Photographer

**Commitment:** events where photos are required, as per the photo plan, and preparing Photo USB

**Time Commitment:** attend events where photos are planned and prepare "photo USB"

- Work with RCIA and sponsor coordinators in preparing the photo plan
- Takes pictures according to photo plan
- Selects photos and prepares USB for RCIA participants
- Finds and manages support photographers, if replacement/additional photographers are needed

**Period Needed:** All periods

**Support Provided:** Dates and times for all occasions when photos are needed

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## Prayer team

**Commitment:** include assigned candidate, sponsor, team member in your prayers, prefer daily

**Time Commitment:** an additional prayer during your personal prayer time

- Pray for assigned Candidate for the duration of their journey in RCIA.
- Pray for assigned Sponsor as they journey with their RCIA Candidate
- Pray for the RCIA team, volunteers as they lead the Candidates and Sponsors

**Period Needed:** Inquiry, Catechumenate, Purification & Enlightenment

**Support Provided:** Prayer suggestions, sample prayers, prayer needs for each period at change of period

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## Snack

**Commitment:** once per rotation of all volunteers, but flexible

**Time Commitment:** dependent on the snack you chose

- Provide snack for the RCIA sessions, with the exception of during Lent

**Period Needed:** Inquiry, Catechumenate, Mystagogy

**Support Provided:** Allergy List Dietary restrictions would be communicated in advance

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## Sponsor

**Commitment:** every second during RCIA, follow up in year following Confirmation

**Time Commitment:** 6:45 - 9:00 Wednesdays, Candidate time: weekly touch base, volunteer in parish events, scheduled Sponsor Meetings (max 4)

- Accompany and support a Candidate on their journey including to RCIA Sessions, Mass and other scheduled activities
- Expose Candidate to other church activities (e.g. Bible study, faith morning, CWL / K of C)
- Participate in Rites

**Period Needed:** All periods

**Support Provided:** Sponsor Training Session and ongoing support

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