

Becoming Catholic

through the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults

Periods / Stages

Steps

Period of Evangelization & Precatechumenate

- *Coming to know (more fully) the Living God*
- *Connecting personal stories to the Christian Story*
- *Focusing on Holy Scripture - the Bible*

Rite for Entrance into the Catechumenate
December 7-8, 2024, Parish
Welcoming Baptized but Previously Uncatechized Adults

Period of Catechumenate

- *Studying Church teaching - Scripture & Tradition*
- *Training in Christian Living*
- *Learning to Pray*
- *Engaging with the Community*

Rite of Election of Catechumens
Sunday, March 9, 2025, 2:00PM, Cathedral
Calling the Candidates to Continuing Conversion

Period of Purification & Enlightenment

- *Reflecting interiorly*
- *Deepening relationship with Christ*
- *Focusing on Conversion: Changing mind & heart*

Sacraments of Initiation
Saturday, April 19, 2025, (8PM), Parish
Rite of Reception into Full Communion with the Catholic Church

Period of Mystagogy

- *Participating more fully in Mass*
- *Engaging in works of charity*
- *Joyfully taking an active place in the community of faith*

Catechumens

NEVER BAPTIZED in any tradition
(generally)

“Converts”

Candidates

Previously Baptized with a valid baptism
Not “Converts”