

# Answers to Your Questions About the Catholic Faith

Saint John Bosco Catholic Church is offering an Adult Education Course entitled "The Catholic Faith" every Tuesday evening from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. in the Saint Francis Room at Saint John Bosco Catholic Church, 315 North Main Street, Woodstock, VA. These classes are part of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) Program within the Catholic Church.

## What is RCIA?

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, or RCIA, is a series of classes that present an adult exploration of the Catholic faith. RCIA is a chance for people to learn the basics of what it means to be Catholic, to ask their burning questions, and to seek ways to more fully open their lives to Jesus Christ. RCIA is primarily for adults considering becoming Catholic and for Catholics who were never Confirmed. RCIA prepares men and women to make a conscious choice whether or not they want to receive the Sacraments of Initiation offered by the Catholic Church (Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation).

## What is the time commitment for RCIA?

The RCIA group meets every Tuesday evening from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. from September until Easter.

## What if I'm not sure I want to become Catholic?

Not a problem! Both baptized and un-baptized non-Catholics are most welcome to attend these classes, without any obligation to convert to the Catholic faith.

## What if I'm already a Confirmed Catholic?

Many of us stopped leaning about our Catholic faith when we received the Sacrament of Confirmation in our early teens. Often, we don't really engage in our spiritual journey until much later in life. It's not uncommon for us to realize as adults that we want to know more about our faith as we wrestle with some of the more difficult questions we have. RCIA is an opportunity for you to really explore your faith. It is also a chance to see your faith through the eyes of people exploring it for the first time. Together we'll help each other grow closer to Jesus Christ.

## I still have questions. Who can I talk to?

Call the church office at (540) 459-4448 for more information or fill out the form below.



Please contact me for more information about the RCIA Program.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

### **I'm considering** (check all that apply):

- Being Baptized
- Becoming Catholic
- Being Confirmed
- Learning more about my Catholic faith
- Returning to the Catholic Church

### **I'm currently** (check all that apply):

- Not Baptized
- Baptized
- Roman Catholic
- Faith Background: \_\_\_\_\_
- Practicing
- Not Practicing

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