

# HAVE YOU BEEN LISTENING?



*A Journey of Faith*

**ONE LORD  
ONE FAITH  
ONE BAPTISM  
ONE GOD *and*  
FATHER OF ALL**

*- Ephesians 4:4-6*

## WHO PARTICIPATES?

Those never Baptized as Christians.

Those Baptized in another Christian faith tradition, who are now interested in the Catholic tradition.

Those Baptized in the Catholic tradition whose total formation has not been completed.

## SPONSORS

All candidates and catechumens will be provided a Sponsor.

## PROGRAM DATES

September through May  
Mondays from 7:00-9:00PM

## FIRST MEETING:

### SEPTEMBER 9, 2024

[in the Olde Church Lower Level]

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# OCIA

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults

# IS GOD CALLING YOU?

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# WELCOME HOME

Evening meetings include time for prayer, group sharing and a range of topics as the Catholic faith encompasses the whole fabric of our lives.

*Listen and learn about:*

**Scripture**  
**The Trinity**  
**The Church**  
**The Seven Sacraments**  
**Liturgy**  
**Mary**  
**The Saints**  
**Prayer**

*And many other topics!*

RCIA is now...



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*OCIA involves four stages, each marked by a special celebration, the persons deepening desire to say "YES" to living the Catholic Faith.*

## INQUIRY

A time for searching for God, for meaning in life, or for asking initial questions and seeking answers about the basics of the Catholic faith.

## FORMATION

A time of being formed by the gospel and of learning about the Catholic tradition in greater depth.

## ENLIGHTENMENT

A time during the Season of Lent involving prayer and deeper reflection as one prepares to receive God's new life at the Easter celebration.

## UNDERSTANDING

As a newly initiated Catholic, they continue their formation and education in the Period of the Post-Baptismal Catechesis (Mystagogy). This period continues until Pentecost. During this period, the newly baptized members reflect on their experiences at the Easter Vigil and continue to learn more about the scriptures, the Sacraments, and the teachings of the Catholic Church. In addition, they reflect on how they will serve Christ and help in the Church's mission and outreach.

**WE RESPECT THE DECISION  
OF EACH INQUIRER.**

**THE JOURNEY OF FAITH IS  
TAKEN ONE STEP AT A TIME.**

**NO PRESSURE IS EXERTED  
ON ANYONE TO BECOME  
CATHOLIC.**

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