

What is the “RCIA”?

“RCIA” is the acronym for
“Rite of Christian
Initiation of Adults”

A process of inquiring into the Catholic faith tradition, followed by a period of discernment and welcoming into the Catholic Church, concluding with the celebration of the Sacraments of Initiation.

Who participates in the RCIA process?

Adults who are inquiring about becoming Catholic and who may:

Not be baptized (Catechumen)
Baptized non-Catholic in a non-trinitarian rite.

Baptized Catholic but have not received First Holy communion and Confirmation. (Candidate)

Is a sponsor an expert on Catholicism?

NO. A sponsor is not an expert. A sponsor is one who loves their faith, is willing to support, journey and share faith with their catechumen or candidate.

Am I qualified to be a Sponsor?

- Yes, if you are a practicing Catholic.
- Have received the three Sacraments of Initiation.
(Baptism, Holy Eucharist, Confirmation)
- At least 16 years of age.
- If married, your marriage is in good standing with the Catholic Church.
- Will listen to and support the RCIA catechumen or candidate.

What does a sponsor do?

A sponsor:

- Attends orientation.
- Participates in the Holy Mass and RCIA Group meetings.
- Listens and supports their catechumen’s or candidate’s spiritual journey.
- Attends major celebrations to include:
 - Holidays
 - Rite of Welcome
 - Rite of Sending/Election
 - Saturday Retreat
 - Easter Vigil

Who will I sponsor?

The RCIA Coordinator and Team Members will meet with you and get to know you, your interests, and suggest a catechumen or candidate that would be a good match.

When does the RCIA Meet?

- RCIA attends a scheduled weekly calendar.
- 9:00 a.m. Mass and dismissal from Mass to meet as a group from 10:00 – 11:15.

Who guides the RCIA process?

Clergy of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church who confer sacraments, celebrate the rites, and serve as spiritual resources.
The DRE, RCIA Coordinator and RCIA Team Members.

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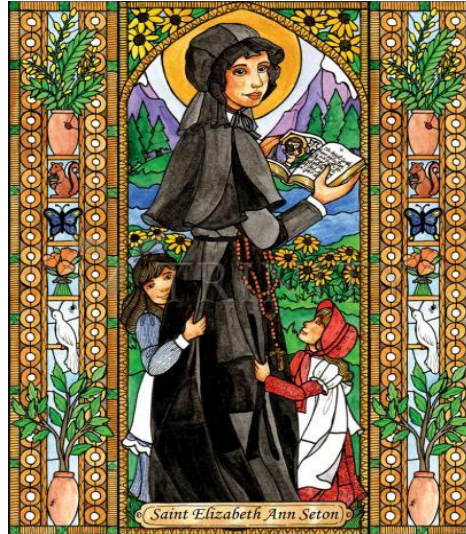
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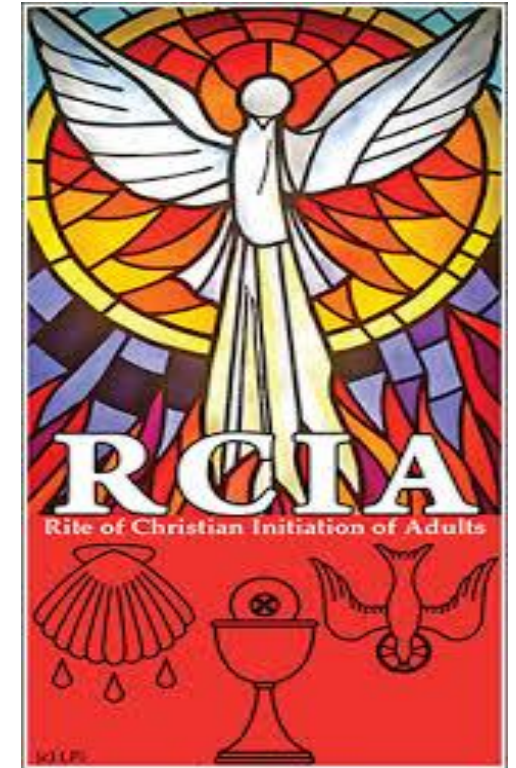
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