

Are you interested in learning about the Catholic Church?

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A.) may be for you. If you are -

- Non-Catholic who wishes to know more about the Catholic faith.
- Non-baptized who are seeking God in their life.
- Baptized Catholics who desire to complete their initiation sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation.
- Catholics who want to learn more about their Catholic faith and enrich their spiritual faith journey.

How Does One Become a Catholic?

Every year adults are warmly welcomed into the Catholic Community through RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults). It is a process in which conversion of the heart brings you to Jesus Christ who is our Lord and Savior. "Come to me, all you who are weary and find life burdensome, and I will refresh you. Take my yoke upon your shoulders and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble of heart. Your souls will find rest, for my yoke is easy and my burden light." *Matthew 11:28-30.*

Those who were previously baptized in other Christian traditions become Catholic after making a solemn profession of faith, receiving communion and sharing Eucharist with the Catholic community. And still others, those who were not previously baptized, become Catholic Christians after receiving the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist.

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

That's fine! RCIA begins with a period of Inquiry Sessions. At the end of the Inquiry period, you decide if you are interested in learning more. Even if you decide to continue, there is no final commitment to join the Church until much later in the process.

What is the First Step?

Contact Pat Leach in the Church office, 792-6168, or pleach@ctkcathedral.org or contact Deacon Randy Canale, RCIA Coordinator, 797-2210.