



Leadership Institute for the Catechumenate (RCIA)

Office of Adult Faith Formation, Archdiocese of New York

Promoting the development of parish leadership for the full implementation of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Summer 2023 Two Day Weekend:

Saturday, July 22 & Sunday, July 23, 2023

at Saint Frances Cabrini Shrine,

701 Fort Washington Avenue, Manhattan, New York 10040

FOR PARISH COORDINATORS OF THE CATECHUMENATE (RCIA)

SCHEDULE OF THE SIX SUMMER 2023 LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE SESSIONS:

Session One: Liturgical and Canonical Statutes of the Catechumenate

- Saturday, July 22 10:00am – 12:00pm Presenter: Oscar Cruz

This session provides an overview of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, including the Order & History of the Catechumenate, and the various ministries necessary for the full implementation of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults.

Session Two: Pastoral Formation for the Precatechumenate Period

- Saturday, July 22 1:00pm – 3:00pm Presenter: Oscar Cruz

This session presents the principles for the period of the pre-catechumenate including a checklist for the initiating community as well as guidance for the discernment process in this period. An adapted Rite of Acceptance is experienced and reflected upon.

Session Three: Pastoral Formation for the Catechumenate Period

- Saturday, July 22 3:00pm – 7:00pm Presenter: Oscar Cruz

This session presents the principles for the period of the Catechumenate including catechetical directives, guidance for the discernment process and preparation for the Rite of Election and the Call to Continuing Conversion. The minor rites and an adapted Rite of Sending is experienced and reflected upon.

Session Four: Pastoral Formation for Lent and Easter

- Sunday, July 23 1:00pm – 2:00pm Presenter: Oscar Cruz

This session presents the principles for the period of Purification and Enlightenment including a synopsis of the liturgical rites and themes for spiritual reflection. Direction is given for the preparation, celebration, and reflection of the three Scrutinies. This session will also present the principles for the period of Mystagogy. Direction is given for the preparation, celebration, and reflection of the sacraments of Christian Initiation at the Easter Vigil.

Session Five: Pastoral Issues with the Catechumenate

- Sunday, July 23 2:00pm – 5:00pm Presenter: Oscar Cruz

This session provides guidance for the full implementation of the Catechumenate, reviewing the various pastoral issues that may arise. The children's Catechumenate including the role of the family, catholic peers, and the celebration of the rites for children in the RCIA is discussed. A review of the *National Statutes on the Catechumenate* is given.

Session Six: Valid Baptism, Confirmations, Marriages, Convalidations and Annulments

- Sunday, July 23 5:30pm – 8:30pm Presenter: Rev. Michael Martine, Archdiocesan Marriage Tribunal

This session reviews the criteria for valid baptisms and confirmation. It also examines the rules concerning the marriage of catechumens, divorced and remarried persons, types of annulment cases, and convalidation of marriages. Direction is given for the proper pastoral care of those in the RCIA who have marriage issues.

- Registration Fee: \$ 60 for the two days / six sessions (\$10 per session)
...register for all six or for whatever session you would like to take.
... payment due on the day of the training. Checks payable to: *Archdiocese of New York*
- On Saturday, July 22 / Bring your own lunch. On Sunday, July 23 / Bring your own dinner.
- Free Parking available on premises / across the street from Subway Station / Bus Stop.
- Sunday Mass celebrated at the Shrine Chapel ... July 23 – 11:00am

For more information and to register contact:

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