## What is the Period of the Pre-catechumenate?

The Inquiry Period

WHAT DOES THE RITE SAY?	Core topics for discussion	SCRIPTURE RESOURCES
"It is a time of evangelization: faithfully and constantly the living God is proclaimed and Jesus Christ whom he has sent for the salvation of all" RCIA 36	1-Our God is a living God who holds in being the world he has created, and is present to us, his creatures. 40-41, 198, 290, 293, 295, 300-301  2-God sent Jesus Christ for our salvation. Born of Mary, he is true God and true man. 422-423, 456-460,	Creation Genesis 1:1–2:3 Psalm 139:1-18 Psalm 148  Mystery of the Incarnation John 1:1–5, 10–14, 16
	3-Jesus came proclaiming God's kingdom of justice, love, and peace. All people are called into that kingdom. <i>CCC 542-543, 546-547, 764</i>	Luke 1:26–38 1 John 4:9–12  Parables of the Kingdom Matthew 13:31–32 Matthew 13:44–47 Luke 15:1–10
	4-Under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, the Church continues the mission of Jesus. <i>CCC 142, 144, 153-155</i>	Mystery of the Church Acts 2:43–47 1 Corinthians 12:12–13 2 Corinthians 5:17–20
"Thus, those who are not yet Christians, their hearts opened by the Holy Spirit, may believe and be freely converted to the Lord and commit themselves sincerely to him."  RCIA 36	5-God calls a people. CCC 30, 59-60, 220, 781	The Call of Abraham Genesis 12:1–4a
	6-God is ever faithful. CCC 205-208, 211-214	The Burning Bush Exodus 3:1–8, 13–14
	7-We are invited to share God's life and love by becoming followers of Jesus. 27, 158, 160, 733, 781	The Call of the First Disciples Matthew 4:18–22 John 1:35–50
	8-God's invitation calls for a free response of faith and trust. 142, 144, 153-155	The Storm at Sea Mark 4:35–41
"From evangelization, completed with the help of God, come the faith and initial conversion that cause a person to feel called away from sin and drawn into the mystery of God's love." RCIA 37	9-Our response to God's call entails conversion of heart and life. <i>CCC 545</i> , 720, 1428, 2595, 2608	John the Baptist Luke 3:1–18
	10-Through prayer, we experience God's love for us, and draw closer to him. CCC 2561-2564, 2567, 2591, 2613	Parables on Prayer Luke 11: 5–13 Luke 18: 1–8 Luke 18: 9–14
	11-The power of God delivers us from evil and sin, and enables us to live a life that is holy and good. CCC 1427, 1719, 1723, 1848, 2850	The Crossing of Red Sea Exodus 14:15–31
	12-Through his cross and resurrection, Jesus has overcome sin and death, and offers us life that never ends. CCC 272, 420, 604-605, 654-655, 981, 2852	The Paschal Mystery John 11:25–27 Romans 6:3–5