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 2020 Two Day Weekend:
Saturday, July 25 & Sunday, July 26, 2020
at St. Joseph’s Seminary, Yonkers, New York
(Westchester County)

FOR PARISH COORDINATORS OF THE CATECHUMENATE (RCIA)

SCHEDULE OF THE FIVE SUMMER 2020 LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE SESSIONS:

Session: Liturgical and Canonical Statutes of the Catechumenate
- Saturday, July 25  10:00am – 12:00pm
  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: Pastoral Formation for the Precatechumenate Period
- Saturday, July 25  1:00pm – 3:00pm
  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: Pastoral Formation for the Catechumenate Period
- Saturday, July 25  3:00pm – 7:00pm
  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: Pastoral Formation for Lent and Easter
- Sunday, July 26  1:00pm – 3:00pm
  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: Pastoral Issues with the Catechumenate
- Sunday, July 26  3:00pm – 7:00pm
  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.

- Registration Fee:  $50 for the two days (five sessions- $10 per session)
- On Saturday, July 26… Bring your own lunch.
- Free Parking available on premises.

For more information and to register contact:
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