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To: Pastors, Parochial Administrators, DRE/CRE, & RCIA Directors and Teams  
From: Lauralyn Solano, Assistant Director for Lay Formation  
Date: June 13, 2022  
Subject: Christian Initiation Series (Formerly known as the RCIA Series)

The Diocesan Christian Initiation Committee and the Office of Family and Faith Formation are pleased to announce the launch of the Christian Initiation Series (Formerly known as RCIA).

It is a seven-part series for Pastors, Deacons, Pastoral Leadership Teams, DRE's, Christian Initiation Directors/ Coordinators and Teams as well as teachers, catechists and those who do sacramental preparation.

The purpose is to provide solid liturgical, catechetical, and pastoral formation that will equip all people in our Diocese of Sacramento to effectively use the model of Christian Initiation, which is the model for all catechesis (Directory for Catechesis 2;61-65). The goal is to form disciples who will become apostles and be sent out into the world to "renew the face of the earth" (Ps. 104:40). Drawing upon Scripture and the documents of the Church, this series offers a comprehensive introduction to the Christian Initiation Process (RCIA) according to the mind of the Church. Practical application will be emphasized.

Classes will be offered hybrid and in person grouped by region. A regional facilitator will be assigned to walk through the online classes with participants from the local area. We have partnered with the Franciscan Catechetical Institute to offer the online curriculum. To see a sample of the online platform visit: <https://franciscanathome.com/diocese-sacramento>

This formation fulfills the curriculum needed to apply for a Christian Initiation Specialization. (Basic Certificate Required)

Classes begin in July and cost \$120 for all seven classes of the series. Financial assistance is available. To register please go to [scd.org/initiationseries](http://scd.org/initiationseries). For questions, please contact Lauralyn Solano at [lsolano@scd.org](mailto:lsolano@scd.org) or (916) 733-0153

In Christ,

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# ILLUMINATE THE PATH OF FAITH



## Diocese of Sacramento Christian Initiation Series

*"Let your light shine before others" (Mt. 5:16)*

*Classes are hybrid and facilitated by a regional mentor. Scheduled meetings vary depending on region.*

### **Session 1: July**

The Catechumenal Process: A Modern Restoration of an Ancient Practice

### **Session 2: August**

Pastoral Components of the Christian Initiation Process: From Initial Motivation to Firm Conviction to a Catholic Worldview

### **Session 3: September**

Liturgical Components of the Christian Initiation Process: Gateways and Sources of Grace for Conversion

### **Session 4: October**

Essential Link Between Liturgy and Catechesis

### **Session 5: November**

Catechesis: Echoing What God has revealed? That should come in November- before Catechetical Components

### **Session 6: December**

Catechetical Components of the Christian Initiation Process: Illuminating and Securing the Path of Faith

### **Session 7: January**

Elective

*Ending retreat TBA. Additional cost to participate*

*Presented by the Diocese of Sacramento Office of Family & Faith Formation (OFFF) & Diocesan Christian Initiation Committee (formerly RCIA)*

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**Register today!** \$120 for all sessions (financial assistance available)

**[www.scd.org/initiationseries](http://www.scd.org/initiationseries)**

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