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# Catechetical Leadership Program Basic Leadership Training for the Catechumenate (RCIA)

(This course has 11 sessions)

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

## FOR PARISH DIRECTORS AND COORDINATORS OF THE CATECHUMENATE (RCIA)

### SCHEDULE OF THE SESSIONS:

**Session: Introduction to Catechetical Mission /Office**

- Saturday, September 16, 2017      Location: St. Augustine, Ossining

**Session: RCIA Forum**

- Saturday, November 11, 2017      Location: *To be determined*

**Session: Catechesis and Contemporary Technology (Digital Catechesis)**

- Saturday, November 18, 2017      Location: Maryknoll Sisters Convent, Ossining

**Session: Family Catechesis**

- Saturday, December 2, 2017      Location: Maryknoll Sisters Convent, Ossining

**Session: The Spirituality of Mission for Catechetical Leaders**

- Saturday, March 24, 2018      Location: Maryknoll Sisters Convent, Ossining

**Session: Liturgical and Canonical Statutes of the Catechumenate**

- *Date and time to be determined*

This session provides an overview of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, including the Order 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**

- *Date and time to be determined*

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**

- *Date and time to be determined*

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**

- *Date and time to be determined*

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**

- *Date and time to be determined*

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: Marriages, Annulments and Convalidations**

- *Date and time to be determined*

This session examines the rules concerning the marriage of catechumens, divorced and remarried persons, types of annulment cases, and Convalidation of marriages. Direction will be given for the proper pastoral care of those in the RCIA who have marriage issues.

For more information and registration,  
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