

BOOKS ON RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION IN O.R.E.

Come and See: RCIA Process

By: Karen Albertus

St. Anthony Messenger Press, 1990

An RCIA process based on the complete lectionary using *Catholic Updates*. **38.ALBE**

Journeying Through RCIA

By: Rev. William A. Anderson

Wm.C.Brown Company Publishers, 1984

Designed to help adults understand what the RCIA can mean to a parish community and to individuals within the community. **38.ANDE**

RCIA: A Total Parish Process

By: Rev. William A. Anderson D.Min.

Brown-Roa Publishing, 1989

How to implement the RCIA in your parish. **38.ANDE**

RCIA: Foundations of Christian Initiation

Commissioned by the Archdiocese of Dubuque

Brown-Roa Publishing, 1990

Provides a general introduction to Christian initiation as well as guidelines and starters for beginning the implementation of initiation. **38.ARCH**

The Rite of Confirmation: Anointing with the Spirit

By: Gerard Austin

Pueblo Publishing Company, 1985

Consists of three parts: The Tradition, surveying the historical development of confirmation; The Reforms, dealing with modern reforms; and The Future, analyzing present praxis with an opening to the future. A secondary focus is on the Rite of the Blessing of Oils and the Rite of Consecrating the Chrism. **38.AUST**

Adult Believing: A Guide to Christian Initiation of Adults

Peter Ball

Paulist Press, 1988

“Christianity is an adult religion for adults” claims Peter Ball. As the Church’s practice of initiation has evolved more towards adults, there has been a renewed awareness of the role of the community in the practice of initiation as well as an increased expectation for competent ministers, lay and ordained. He shares his experience of how Christian formation brings together the candidate’s life story, interests and concerns with the Church’s story in the Gospel, in prayer and community. **38.BALL**

RCIA: What It Is, How It Works

By: Patricia Barbernitz

Liguori Publications, 1983

What is RCIA? How does it work in parishes? This book brings Theory and Experience together, offers concrete helps and suggestions; shows parish teams various options and approaches. **38.BARB**

A Parish Guide to Adult Initiation Boyack, K. **38.BOYA**

Power in Rite: Celebrating RCIA

By: Padraic Brennan

T.Shand Publications, 1986

This book is designed to help those people who, motivated by the call to be evangelisers, seek to set in motion the power of God in the lives of those whom He calls from non-faith or from meagre and weak faith to growing and surer faith. The patterns and adaptations of the ceremonies of the RCIA given here are based on the actual practice and experience of them in a parish. **38.BREN**

Cenacle Sessions: A Modern Mystagogy

William Bruns

Paulist Press, 1991

A pastorally sensitive and innovative approach to the period of mystagogy in the RCIA. Through prayer, music, guided meditation, scripture and faith sharing *Cenacle Sessions* enables neophytes to both “savor” their initiatory experience and to make the transition to active membership in the church. **38.BRUN**

Becoming a Catholic Christian

Various Authors

Sadlier, 1981

This book is one of a series of publications by Sadlier on the implementation on the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults and the restoration of the catechumenate as an integral element of contemporary Church life. **38.BRUS**

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

By: Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops

Publications Service, 1987

The Roman ritual revised by decree of the Second Vatican Ecumenical Council and published by authority of Pope Paul VI. **38.CCCB (also in Liturgy #10.005)**

The Catholic Church: Who Are We?

Various Authors

Franciscan Communications, 1986

Find answers to questions about Catholic faith. Share the Catholic understanding of who God is and how we experience God’s presence in our personal lives as well as in the Faith family we call the Catholic Church. **38.CHAM**

What it Means to be Catholic

By: Father Joseph M. Champlin

Franciscan Communications, 1986

This book deals with dozens of questions and other issues facing people who live in our contemporary society. It tries to identify those concerns in the context of a short story. Then it attempts to show how the basic major teachings and well known practices of the Roman Catholic Church can help us both understand these challenges and deal with them. **38.CHAM**

RCIA: Four Retreat Days

By: Joan Cole

Liguori Publications, 1988

This manual provides everything a pastor, director, or RCIA team needs to conduct days of retreat for four significant moments in the RCIA process. It contains tentative schedules, opening and closing prayer services, theological foundations and explanations, detailed instructions for each part of all four days - even pages of reflection and discussion questions that can be copied and distributed to each retreat day participant. **38.COLE**

RCIA: The Rites Revised

By: Sandra DeGidio, OSM

Winston Press, 1984

Here is the first creative, practical, how-to guide for pastors, liturgists and parish ministers who want to implement the rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. The author offers guidelines and examples of how to adapt the RCIA rituals - and to design new ones - to fit local communities and pastoral situation. **38.DEGI**

Christian Initiation of Older Children: Hope for the Future

By: Robert D. Duggan and Maureen A. Kelly

Paulist Press, 1991

This book is meant to be a practical and helpful tool for individuals, parish staffs and communities. The authors hope that readers will use the questions and activities presented at the end of each chapter to both envision and begin to implement more meaningful and effective policies and structures for the initiation of children into our Catholic faith community. **38.DUGG**

Echoing God's Word

By: James B. Dunning

North American Forum on the Catechumenate, 1993

This book offers a vision of catechesis in a church called to mission in the modern world. The author presents a method to help catechists and homilists prepare to open God's word. **38.DUNN (also in Liturgy #11.098)**

New Wine: New Wineskins

By: James B. Dunning

Sadlier, 1981

This book is one of a series of publications by Sadlier on the implementation of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults and the restoration of the catechumenate as an integral element of contemporary Church life. **38.DUNN**

Christian Initiation of Older Children

By: Sandra Figgess

Liturgical Press, 1990

This book is intended to prepare non-baptized children of catechetical age to become full members of the Church with the help of a parent. **38.FIGG**

Believing in Jesus: A Popular Overview of the Catholic Faith

Leonard Foley, O.F.M.

St. Anthony Messenger Press, 2005

The author wrote this book to help "born Catholics" come to a deeper understanding of the beliefs and practices they have held all their lives and to help those who approach the Catholic Church for the first time. This edition is current with Church documents and events, including cross-references to the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*. Discussion questions and an updated and expanded resource section will prove invaluable to individuals and groups wanting to explore further the faith they profess. **38.FOLEY**

How to Form a Catechumenate Team

By: Karen M. Hinman

Liturgy Training Publications, 1986

How do you pull together the people involved in putting the RCIA to work? How do they know what to do? How do you recruit, form and maintain the critical teamwork that supports the men and women who seek membership in our church? The author addresses all these questions in practical and pastoral language. **38.HINM**

Evangelization, The Catechumenate and the Ministries

By: Lise M. Holash

Wm. C. Brown Company Publishers, 1983

A Guide for Leadership Training in Parishes. **38.HOLA**

The RCIA Journey

By: Deborah M. Jones

Twenty-Third Publications, 1997

A Resource for the Catechumenate. Topics covered include Jesus the Christ, The Old and New Testaments, the Church's Story, Catholic Sacraments, the Place of Prayer, and much more. **38.JONE**

Stories for Christian Initiation

By: Joseph J. Juknialis

Resource Publications, Inc., 1992

You can open new doors for discussion and faith-sharing if you adapt these stories to your group. They fit easily into every step of the process - from pre-catechumenate to initiation to mystagogia. Catechumens - team members and sponsors, too - will find this collection a delight and inspiring companion for their faith journey. **38.JUKN**

Now That You Are a Catholic

By: John M. Kenny

Paulist Press, 1973

An informal guide to Catholic customs, traditions and practices. **38.KENN****Guide for Sponsors, Revised Edition**

By: Ron Lewinski

Liturgy Training Publications, 1987

This is a fully revised edition of LTP's popular *Guide* first published in 1980. It includes many new features to help sponsors and godparents of adults preparing to enter the Roman Catholic church. **38.LEWI****Welcoming the New Catholic**

By: Ron Lewinski

Liturgy Training Publications, 1978

This is a primer on the RCIA for pastors, catechists, parish staffs, and any who want to understand the current practice of initiating adults into the church. Major aspects of the RCIA are discussed: its structure, ministers, liturgies and the most frequently asked questions. **38.LEWI****Come Join Us at the Table**

By: Muriel Loftus and Lawrence DeMong, OSB

Novalis, 2000

This book presents both "a new vision of children's sacramental preparation and an improved way of implementing it on a parish level and within the family." Filled with activities, discussion, prayer and celebrations, this new program is flexible and easy to use for large and small parish communities. **38.LOFT** (Family Book/ Leader's Guide) (**also in Liturgy #11.083A**)**Let the Children Come to Me Series**

This new resource for the Rite of Christian Initiation for Children will help parishes and schools with the important sacrament of baptizing older children. It consists of five components:

- Program Manual
- Catechist's Guide
- Primary Level
- Intermediate Level
- Upper Level

The program manual contains all the material necessary to facilitate and teach the program. It discusses the pastoral team and gives suggested timelines. Each level is described thoroughly, and a catechist's guide provides the lesson plans for the three levels. **38.LONG****Step by Step: A Handbook for the RCIA**

By: Mary T. Malone

Brown-Roa Publishing, 1989

A resource that can be easily and effectively used throughout the RCIA process. **38.MALO****Born with a Vacuum God Alone Can Fill**

Conrad Marcoux

This booklet is a selection of back numbers of a news-sheet called: White Fathers, Africanada, put together for use in RCIA programs and possibly as a guide for religion teachers. **10.MARC** (Religion Section)**Invitation: A Catholic Learning Guide for Adults**

By: McBride, A.

38.MCBR**How to Teach with the Lectionary**

By: Philip J. McBrien

Twenty-Third Publications, 1992

A comprehensive step toward understanding and employing the lectionary in religious education. Each of the seven chapters in this book narrates a conversation among catechists as they interpret biblical texts, relate

various techniques, address catechetical concerns, and plan lessons. **38.MCBR**

The RCIA: Transforming the Church

By: Thomas Morris

Paulist Press, 1989

The author offers exceptionally wise guidance through all the liturgies and the catechetical periods of the RCIA. He combines clear and perceptive insight and vision with practical suggestion. **38.MORR (also in Liturgy #11.084)**

A Time to Listen... A Time to Heal

National Conference of Catholic Bishops , 1999

A resource directory for reaching out to inactive Catholics. **38.NCCB**

The Christian Sacraments of Initiation

By: Kenan B. Osborne, O.F.M.

Paulist Press, 1987

This book brings together contemporary theological insights into the unity of the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist which together form the introduction to Christian sacramental life. Fr. Osborne presents the best biblical, ecumenical and modern sacramental thinking for creating a sacramental theology rooted in the thinking of the second Vatican Council. It combines the theological with the important spiritual and liturgical dimensions of sacramental preparation, and is designed for those engaged both in teaching sacraments and in preparing others for their reception. **38.OSBO**

The Practice of Faith: A Handbook for Contemporary Spirituality

By: Karl Rahner

Crossroad, 1984

This volume represents a small sample of Karl Rahner's writings in the areas of Christian spirituality and pastoral or practical theology. The contents have been deliberately distributed across the whole span of traditional doctrine. One finds here treatments of the sacraments, the theological virtues, the states of life, the various kinds of prayer and religious devotion, and other aspects of ascetical and mystical theology. **38.RAHN**

Lay Person's Guide to the RCIA

By: Christine Rath

Brown-Roa, 1989

Easy-to-follow, step-by-step procedures for success/Terms clearly defined - in one chapter/Based on actual successful experiences/Geared for use by laypersons/Team-focused/Up-to-date. **38.RATH**

The New Mass

Rev. A.M. Roguet, O.P.

Catholic Book Publishing, 1970

A clear and popular explanation of the new Mass Liturgy. **38.ROGU**

Mystagogy - After R.C.I.A.

Rev. Cleo Schmenk

A nine session group process leading to discernment of one's Christian vocation. **38.SCHM**

A Child's Journey

Rita Burns Senseman

St. Anthony Messenger Press, 1998

When implementing the *Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults* in parishes, people always find new challenges and questions when they adapt the rite to children of catechetical age. This comprehensive book examines the special issues of initiation of children and offers solid, practical approaches for dealing with those issues. **38.SENS**

When You Are An RCIA Sponsor

Rita Burns Senseman St. Anthony Messenger Press, 2001
In this book the author reflects on the responsibility and significance of being hosen to share your faith and personal experience with someone less familiar with the path than you. She explains clearly and briefly the RCIA. Her explanation includes a description of the theology of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. She offers suggestions for being a companion and witness on the RCIA journey, for introducing and welcoming the new Catholic into the parish faith community and for praying and worshipping together. **36.SENS**

When Your Child Becomes Catholic

Rita Burns Senseman St. Anthony Messenger Press, 2000
This book answers frequently asked questions parents and sponsors may have about the Christian initiation of children. With clear and concise language, the author explains Catholic teaching about Baptism and the other sacraments of initiation and the process of becoming Catholic. The author also suggests activities for you and your child to get started on the road to Baptism. **38.SENS**

Journey to the Fullness of Life

United States Catholic Conference, 2000
A report on the implementation of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults in the United States. **38.USCC**

Ninety Days: Resources for Lent and Eastertime in the RCIA

Various Authors Paulist Press, 1989
A resource book for the forty days of Lent and the fifty days of Easter. **38.VARI**

Conversion and the Catechumenate

Various Authors Paulist Press, 1984
Designed as a resource book by broadening our horizons and deepening our understandings of conversion, the elusive and fascinating experience to which we minister with the RCIA. **38.VARI**

Christian Initiation Resources Reader (Vols. I, II, III, IV)

Various Authors Sadlier, 1984
Volume I: Precatechumenate
Volume II: Catechumenate
Volume III: Purification and Enlightenment
Volume IV: Mystagogia and Ministries
38.VARI

Breaking Open the Work - Cycles A, B, C

Various Authors Paulist Press, 1986
Resources for using the Lectionary for Catechesis in the RCIA. **38.VARI**

Finding and Forming Sponsors and Godparents

Various Authors Liturgy Training Publications, 1988
For sponsor coordinators, catechumenate directors, pastoral associates, pastors and catechists. **38.VARI**

Resource Book for the RCIA

Various Authors Sadlier, 1988
Reflective and Practical Help for: Getting Underway, Ministries, Forming Candidates and Rites and Stages of Growth. **38.VARI**

Commentaries: Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Various Authors Liturgy Training Publications, 1988

Chapters in this book were drawn from authoritative articles appearing in *Catechumante: A Journal of Christian Initiation*. **38.VARI**

RCIA: A Practical Approach to Christian Initiation

Various Authors

Brown-Roa, 1990

This book comes from the collective experience of the authors. The text is meant to be a resource for the director and team. Worksheets for participants can be handed out separately during a class or given in workbook form. **38.VARI**

RCIA: A Journey in Faith

Various Authors

Franciscan Communication, 1987

This booklet describes the steps of the journey of adult persons who choose to look to the Roman Catholic religion for community and spiritual guidance in their personal lives. **38.VARI**

Foundations in Faith Series

Resources for Christian Living, 1997

Handbook for Priests

This handbook attempts to gather some of the emerging wisdom gained by pastoral experience with the Rite in the last two decades and to highlight some of the key aspects of priestly ministry it calls for.

Handbook for Sponsors

This booklet is designed to assist sponsors in their ministry by giving them a brief description of the process of initiation in our Church today, focusing on gifts they may bring to the ministry, and offering some practical suggestions on what to do (and what not to do!) while being a sponsor.

Handbook for Inquirers

This book will provide the Inquirer with information about the process of becoming a member of the Church. Each section gives some questions to reflect on as well as some reflections from people who have gone through the process.

Participant Book - Catechumenate - Year C

Catechist Manual - Catechumenate - Year C

This Manual is a resource to help catechists involved in the RCIA as they prepare to lead sessions with catechumens, candidates and their sponsors during the period of the catechumenate.

Journey of Faith Program

Various Authors **38.VARI** (RCIA)

Leader's Book, Cycle A, B, C

Participant's Booklet, Cycle A, B, C

C1, Catechumenate - The Sacraments

L1, Lent - What is Lent?

Q1, Inquiry - Journey of Faith

M1, Mystagogy - Conversion: A Lifelong Process

A Supplement

BOOKS ON RCIA IN LITURGY OFFICE

The Shape of Baptism: The Rite of Christian Initiation

AUTHOR: Aidan Kavanagh

PUBLISHER: Pueblo Pub. Company

This is a theological and pastoral commentary on the history and reform of the rites of initiation, particularly the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. This is a scholarly yet sensitive and pastoral text that everyone involved in the RCIA should read. (1978) **LENGTH:** 224 pages **ISBN: 0-916134-46-9** **BOOK #** 11.014

Christening: The Making of Christians

LENGTH: 165 pages

AUTHOR: Mark Searle

PUBLISHER: The Liturgical Press

A step-by-step journey through the entire rite of Christian Initiation. Part I includes the history of Christian initiation from its beginnings, to its break-up, to its reintroduction in modern times. It is an excellent sourcebook for catechesis before and after the celebration of Christian Initiation. (1980) **ISBN: 0-8146-1183-4** **BOOK #** 11.028

Parish Catechumenate: Pastors, Presiders, Preachers

LENGTH: 84 pages

AUTHOR: James A. Wilde, Editor

PUBLISHER: Liturgy Training Pub.

This book gives encouragement and affirmation to pastors (who need to oversee and integrate the catechumenate into the life of the parish), presiders and preachers (who need to see how vital their roles are in the formation and initiation of new members). All these ministries are interconnected and their link should not be lost. (1988) **ISBN: 0-930467-85-X** **BOOK #** 11.029

Made, Not Born - New Perspectives on Christian Initiation and the Catechumenate

AUTHOR: Murphy Center for Liturgical Research

PUBLISHER: U. Notre Dame Press

This book by many reputable scholars, like Aidan Kavanah and Nathan Mitchell, present the historical, theological, and pastoral aspects of Christian initiations taken from scripture, early Church tradition, and the practices and teachings of the Church throughout its history. All the authors agree that the whole process of Christian initiation must be revived if the local church is to regain its health. (1976) **LENGTH:** 183 pages **ISBN: 0-268-01337-3** **BOOK #** 11.031

Adult Christian Initiation - New Parish Ministries – series 3

LENGTH: 35 paged booklet

AUTHOR: Corbin T. Eddy

PUBLISHER: Novalis

The goal of this booklet is to study the RCIA and to give clear and practical guidelines and to relate these ritual moments to the action of God among his people. The method and procedure will be to describe the ritual steps and then to look backwards from them. (1987) **ISBN: 2-89088-318-3** **BOOK #** 11.040 * (2 copies)

Issues in the Christian Initiation of Children: Catechesis and Liturgy

LENGTH: 219 pages

AUTHOR: K. Brown and F. Sokol

PUBLISHER: Liturgy Training Pub.

As the catechumenate for adults continues to take root in the normal life of the church, issues and questions surface about the catechumenate for children. These questions are discussed here by the best thinkers in this area. The concerns raised challenge parish practices concerning baptism, confirmation, eucharist and reconciliation. (1989) **ISBN: 0-930467-97-3** **BOOK #** 11.056

Christian Initiation of Adults: A Commentary (Study Text 10)

AUTHOR: Bishops' Committee on the Liturgy

PUBLISHER: U.S.C.C. Pub. Service

In order to promote the continuing implementation of the RCIA in the Church, this study text focuses on the systematic presentation of the periods and stages of Christian Initiation; the essential ecclesial context; and

the dynamic growth in faith. It is intended especially for parish communities in the early stages of implementing the catechetical process. It may be used for personal study, in adult discussion groups, or as a reference for those who wish to begin to study the RCIA. (1988) **LENGTH:** 115 pages **BOOK #** 11.067

Forum Essays: RCIA

LENGTH: approx. 52 pages

No. 1 – The Role of the Assembly in Christian Initiation (Vincie, Catherine)

No. 2 – Eucharist as Sacrament of Initiation (Mitchell, Nathan D)

No. 3 – On the Rite of Election (Ferrone, Rita)

No. 4 – Preaching the Rites of Christian Initiation (Joncas, Jan Michael)

No. 5 – Liturgical Spirituality and the RCIA (Madigan, Shawn)

AUTHORS: As indicated above

PUBLISHER: Liturgy Train. Public.

The responsibilities of the Assembly in the initiation of new members; the call to conversion and commitment to the vision of Jesus; what election is all about—its history, theology and shape; preaching the rites; RCIA is a model for formation. (1993-7) **ISBN: 0-929650-70-0 etc.** **BOOK #** 11.086

The Catechumenate and the Law : A Pastoral and Canonical Commentary for the Church in the U.S.

AUTHOR: John M. Huels

PUBLISHER: Liturgy Train. Public.

Often in working in the RCIA predicaments arise which only a knowledge of canon law can resolve. With a command of church law and a deep pastoral sensitivity, Huels reviews aspects of Christian initiation that are affected by the church's various sources of canon law, including the Code of Canon Law, the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, various documents from the Second Vatican Council and the United States Bishops' Statutes for the Catechumenate. **LENGTH:** 104 pages **ISBN: 1-56854-082-5** **BOOK #** 11.101

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RCIA and the Period of Post-baptismal Catechesis

LENGTH: 51 pages

AUTHOR: National Liturgy Office (ed.)

PUBLISHER: Pub. Service CCCB

Articles by Canadians who are very knowledgeable about the problems of Mystagogical catechesis after baptism and full initiation into the Catholic Church. Rather than a mystery or problem to be solved, mystagogy is "a mystery to be celebrated and experienced within the context of the community of faith, gathered around the tables of word and Eucharist". Topics include Communal Remembering, Reclaiming the Mystery, Living our Future, Mystagogy Sunday by Sunday, Living the Christian Life. (1996) **ISBN: 0-88997-373-3** **BOOK #** 11.111

Access to the Sacraments of Initiation and Reconciliation for Developmentally Disabled Persons

AUTHOR: Archdiocese Chicago (Guidelines)

PUBLISHER: Liturgical Train. Pub.

The people who are developmentally disabled need to be welcomed into all areas of life, especially they have the right to be baptized and welcomed into the liturgical life of God's people. They need nourishment for their spiritual life as well as opportunities to give glory to God. All pastoral leaders, family members, catechists, teachers, health care workers and administrators of facilities need to reflect on these guidelines. (1985) **LENGTH:** 10 paged booklet. **ISBN: 0-930467-50-7** **BOOK #** 11.112

The Awe-Inspiring Rites of Initiation: The origins of the RCIA**AUTHOR:** Edward Yarnold**LENGTH:** 266 pages**PUBLISHER:** Liturgical Press.

In the light of fourth century practice and the sermons of the Fathers about the sacraments of initiation, readers today and RCIA teams will find much to ponder about the process of developing conversion or spiritual growth. In these sermons another aspect of initiation is illuminated: it is an experience, above all an experience of awe, formed to speak to the depths of the candidates's being and to produce a lasting transformation. This is a valuable reference for students of liturgy and for catechetical teams preparing candidates for initiation. (1994) **ISBN: 0-8146-2281-X BOOK # 11.121**

Journeybread for the Shadowlands: The Readings for the Rites of the Catechumenate, RCIA**AUTHOR:** Pamela Jackson**PUBLISHER:** Liturgical Press

This book shows how the readings for the rites of the catechumenate both describe conversion and help bring it about. It offers those who prepare people for Baptism a source-book for meditation on the relationship between the liturgical readings and ritual actions of the rites, and the faith-experience of the converts. It provides a liturgical spirituality for the RCIA. Others may appreciate using it for Lenten reading. (1993) **LENGTH:** 171 pages **ISBN: 0-8146-2113-9 BOOK # 11.122**

Sunday Dismissals for the RCIA**AUTHOR:** Mary K. Milne**LENGTH:** 242 pages**PUBLISHER:** The Liturgical Press

A much needed tool for the weekly dismissals from the Sunday liturgies. They are presented as "sendings"—to be nourished by the Scripture readings of the day. Each dismissal is based on the readings of a particular Sunday. Using this tool, a parish community will understand why they are dismissing these individuals and will experience the challenge of the Scriptures. A Prayer of the Faithful, linked to the readings, is also included for each week. (1993) **ISBN:0-8146-2145-7 BOOK # 11.128**

Celebrating the Rites of Adult Initiation**AUTHOR:** Victoria .M. Tuffano (Ed)**PUBLISHER:** Liturgy Train. Public.

A collection of essays by scholars, teachers and pastoral ministers of historical, theological, liturgical and pastoral perspectives on eleven rites of the process of Christian initiation of adults. **LENGTH:** 124 pages **ISBN: 0-929650-45-0 BOOK # 11.129**

A Harvest for God: Christian Initiation in the Rural and Small-Town Parish**AUTHOR:** Michael Clay**PUBLISHER:** Liturgy Train. Pub.

People in rural areas and small towns live in a culture different from those in cities and suburbs, and the ministry to catechumens and candidates should reflect those differences. This book offers practical, step-by-step insights into implementing the RCIA in a way that is faithful to the rite and respectful of rural culture. Anyone who ministers in a rural or small-town catechumenate will find this book a valuable aid. **LENGTH:** 184 pages **ISBN: 1-56854-367-0 BOOK # 11.130**

Year-Round Catechumenate

Mary Birmingham

Liturgy Training Pub., 2003

Christian initiation is a gradual process "suited to the spiritual journey of adults that varies according to the many forms of God's grace, the free cooperation of individuals, the action of the Church and the circumstances of time and place." (RCIA, 5) This book will help you imagine, envision, understand and implement a year-round catechumenate in your parish. **ISBN 1-56854-412-X BOOK#: 11.131**

Saying Amen: Mystagogy of Sacrament**AUTHOR:** Kathleen Hughes**PUBLISHER:** Liturgy Train. Public.

This book explores a new way of contemplating the liturgy, a mystagogical way based less on the history and theology of the rites than on the actual experiences of women and men at prayer. This method of study takes

seriously the adage that the celebration of the liturgy is *first theology*, the place where the church enacts its faith. (1999) **LENGTH:** 207 pages **ISBN: 1-56854-239-9** **BOOK #** 11.132

Q&A: The Mass

AUTHOR: Dennis Smolarski, S.J.

PUBLISHER: Liturgy Train. Public.

The answers to these 45 questions on the Mass takes into account the 2000 edition of the General Instruction of the Roman Missal, as well as other official documents. At the same time, each answer is informed with the common sense and pastoral sensitivity of an author who has spent much of his life on both sides of the altar—as presider and member of the assembly. (2002)**LENGTH:** 119 pages **ISBN: 1-56854-358-1** **BOOK #** 11.133

VIDEOS ON RCIA in O.R.E.

BECOMING AN R.C.I.A. SPONSOR

PUBLISHED: Paulist Press (1986)

Becoming an RCIA Sponsor has three parts.

Part 1: A Dramatic Enactment Between a Sponsor and a Catechumen, consists of three acts tracing the relationship between the two from the beginning of the RCIA process to the time before the Rite of Election. (15 min)

Part 2: A presentation by Rev. Jim Dunning of the North American forum on the Catechumenate, explaining the meaning of the RCIA, the meaning of being a sponsor, what a sponsor does, how the RCIA sponsor relates to the rest of parish life, and the impact of RCIA on the parish. (15 min)

Part 3: Interview with Sponsors, presents four persons who have sponsored candidates within the RCIA process. (8 min) **GUIDE. LENGTH:** 38 min. (total) **VID#:** 13.701

THE ELECT OF GOD

PUBLISHED: Archdiocese of Portland, Oregon

RCIA - The rite of election and sending. **LENGTH:** 26 min. **VID#:** 13.702

RCIA - ROLE OF THE SPONSOR

PUBLISHED: Sheed & Ward (1987)

A look at the role of the sponsor in the RCIA process as seen through the eyes of RCIA directors, pastors, candidates for baptism, and the sponsors themselves. The enthusiasm of the sponsors in this video is contagious. **LENGTH:** 20 min. **VID#:** 13.704

PHOS

PUBLISHED: Franciscan Communications

The story of Phos, a young boy who tries to bring home the Easter Light and his mother's unwillingness to believe that neighbourhood ruffians attacked him and then the joyous climax. Material used for Confirmation preparation. **LENGTH:** 11 min. **VID#:** 13.705

CONVERSION: RE-MINDING, RE-TURNING, RE-MEMBERING

SPEAKER: Rev. Jim Dunning

PUBLISHED: Horizons Video (1989)

National Council on Catholic Evangelization sixth annual conference. RCIA, Evangelization, Catechumenate, Conversion. **LENGTH:** 1 hour **VID#:** 13.706

R.C.I.A.

PROGRAM: North American Forum

PUBLISHED: Kingston Diocese (1985)

A set of ten videos filmed from the Institute on the R.C.I.A.

Tape 1: Introduction; Overview of RCIA Journey; Getting Started

Tape 2: Evangelization in the Pre-Catechumenate

Tape 3: How to Do Religious Story-telling; Dimensions of Conversion

Tape 4: Dimensions of Conversion (conclusion -13.703); Rite of Becoming a Catechumen

Tape 5: Reflection on Liturgy of Previous Evening

Tape 6: Word Service with Sample Catechises; How to Share Our Tradition

Tape 7: Formation in Prayer; Formation in Mission

Tape 8: Celebration of a Scrutiny

Tape 9: Evangelization (13.718)

Tape 10: Sponsors & Other Ministries

VID#: 13.707-13.714

R.C.I.C.**SPEAKER:** Joanna Seitz**PUBLISHED:** Diocese of KingstonRite of Christian Initiation of Children presented. **VID#:** 13.715**R.C.I.A. - JOURNEY OF FAITH****PUBLISHED:** Sheed & Ward (1986)

A beautiful video explanation of the RCIA process from beginning to end; pre-catechumenate to initiation sacraments and mystagogia. Actual participants, priests, catechists, RCIA directors, sponsors and catechumens, explain what the RCIA is and what it has meant to them and to the life of the Church. Level: high school - adult. **LENGTH:** 20 min. **VID#:** 13.716

THE CATECHUMENATE**PUBLISHED:** Diocese of Kingston

A workshop presentation on the Catechumenate, for ministers, sponsors, catechists of the RCIA. Presenters: Mary Pat Byrne; Fr. Phil Horrigan; Prescott team. **VID#:** 13.717

EVANGELIZATION: THE WORD FROM A BEGGAR **PUBLISHED:** Diocese of London (1989)

A guided seven-part presentation featuring talks, dramatizations, and illustrations, all intended to provide a deeper understanding of evangelization -- bringing the Gospel to today's world. The first five segments have the same format which includes: introduction, presentation, questions, reflection, discussion. Recommended for small group use, over an extended period of time. **GUIDE. LENGTH:** 90 min. **VID#:** 13.718

THE CATECHUMENATE FOR CHILDREN**SPEAKER:** Rev. Don Neumann**PUBLISHED:** Tabor Publishing (1993)

This in-depth series not only conveys information but also captures the spirit of initiating children into the Church community. As a result, parents and catechists will fully grasp the important goal the catechumenate strives to achieve: dedicated Christians of all ages.

Tape 1: Five 15 min. segments:

- 1) Overview of RCIA
- 2) Overview of the Catechumenate for Children
- 3) Ministries in the Catechumenate for Children
- 4) The Pre-Catechumenate for Children
- 5) The Catechumenate Period

Tape 2: Four 15 min. segments:

- 6) The Period of Purification & Enlightenment: Lent
- 7) Easter Sacraments
- 8) Mystagogia: Post-Baptismal Catechises
- 9) The Parish and the Catechumenate

GUIDE. LENGTH: Nine 15 min. segments **VID#:** 13.719, 13.720**BECOMING A CATHOLIC: AN ADULT'S FAITH JOURNEY****PUBLISHED:** Franciscan Communications

This video allows individuals to reflect on their personal faith experience against the backdrop of the Church's Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA). The story segment is a modern-day parable about Cliff, a harried businessman about to set out on a weekend fishing trip. Lacking a map to his destination,

Cliff has to rely on his less-than-adequate ability to follow directions. When his car breaks down, and he becomes lost, Cliff learns that even detours on a journey can lead to new discoveries. **LENGTH:** 33 min. **VID#:** 13.721

FORMING RCIA SPONSORS

St. Anthony Messenger Press

Forming... offers suggestions and affirmation to those who accompany adults on the journey of initiation. The *story segment* retells a story from the Acts of the Apostles. In one of the first “sponsor-candidate relationships,” a man named Ananias accompanies a very special candidate taking his first steps on the Christian way. In the *witness segment*, parish sponsors and candidates share about their personal experiences of these roles and relationships. In the *teaching segment*, Rita Burns Senseman, team member for the North American Forum on the Catechumenate and author of several books on Christian initiation, shares key points about the role of parish sponsor. **LENGTH:** 19 min. **VID#:** 13.722

ADULT BAPTISM: EXPLORING ITS MEANING

St. Anthony Messenger Press

This program looks at the imagery surrounding the Sacrament of Baptism, part of the Church’s rite of initiation for both adults and children. The story segment looks at several slices of life, set against the rich imagery of water and the celebration of the Easter Vigil, to help viewers answer the question: What does it mean to be baptised? The witness segment gives real-life Catholic adults an opportunity to testify to what the celebration of their own Baptism mean to them. The teaching segment examines the various images used in connection with Baptism and offers insights into what it means to be baptised. The program concludes with a music video reflection, “I Say Yes, Lord” which echoes the Christian’s ongoing response to Baptism. **14.208** (Baptism section)

VIDEOS ON RCIA IN LITURGY OFFICE

RCIA: God's Call to Journey with Him - Precatechumenate; Catechumenate and Beyond

AUTHOR: Father Glendinning /Kingston workshop 1990

Non-professionally videotaped

A video to which every RCIA team should listen. Part A: The time for the telling of the Great Story (Creation, Fall, and Redemption) and concentration on Call, evangelization and genuine conversion. Part B. Period of Catechesis and Enlightenment. Can we tell the story of Jesus and our own story with fervour, enthusiasm and joy? Challenges for the team itself. **LENGTH: 60 min. VID # 11.705.** [cf. audios 11.501-2- 3]

Baptism: The Ancient Rite of Initiation According to Hippolytus

AUTHOR: Rev. John Gallen

PUBLISHER: N.D. Pastoral Center

A non-professional acting out the way baptism was possibly celebrated in the early Church. Taken from a third century Church Document. For those studying liturgy and possibly considering baptism by total immersions. **VID # 11.717**

The Catechumenate: What are the Challenges Parishes Face?

AUTHOR: Rev Richard Fragomeni

PUBLISHER: Tabor Publishing

An in-depth look at how the RCIA challenges the parish to rethink Baptism as plunged into the death of Christ; to a new understanding of ministry as being not doing; understanding the depths of sin and grace in our lives; and the importance of mystagogy in our lives. **LENGTH: 60 min. ISBN 1-55924-913-7 VID # 11.724**

An Invitation to New Life: The R.C.I.A. Described

AUTHOR: Thomas Morris

PUBLISHER: Paulist Press

This short video captures the Spirit of the RCIA. Devoid of "churchy" language, it tells the inquirer (or new team) what the RCIA is all about in a manner which is understandable and inspirational. Here the viewer will see the process unfold, witness the community and personal dimensions, and be challenged to go on an inner journey which leads to true conversion. This video can help people to feel comfortable becoming part of it, and yet bring out the radical dimension of authentic journeys of faith. Inquirers will come away knowing what the RCIA is all about, comfortable with its process, and aware of how important the question of true conversion really is. **LENGTH: 15 min. ISBN 0-8091-8075-8 VID # 11.736**

A History of the Mass

AUTHOR: Rev. John H. McKenna

PUBLISHER: Our Sunday Visitor

This excellent video traces the evolution of the Mass, showing how it was shaped and reshaped by times and cultures, by theologies and the arts. You will see the visual record of our past and hear from witnesses along the way, people who got engaged in the conversation about the meaning and celebration of Sunday Mass. Especially useful for RCIA, High School and Adult groups, liturgy committees, school and parish staffs.

VID # 11.743