

DISCERNMENT FOR READINESS
For The
rites of Acceptance and Welcoming

(Feel free to type out answers on a separate page(s))

Reflection Reading: Ephesians 1:15-19

“I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of its glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power.”

Questions for Reflection

1. Is the Lord calling you to continue your discernment in becoming a Catholic Christian at this time in your life? How do you know?
2. Have your initial questions about the Catholic Church been sufficiently answered? What questions are still outstanding in your mind?
3. Are you ready to admit that you need others to help you to become yourself as a full person? Does this recognition of need for others extend to your relationship with Jesus Christ? Why do you want to be associated with other believers?
4. Service to others is an essential component to the life of a Christian. To assist you in this, you are asked to volunteer in the parish in some way – whether a one-time commitment or ongoing – during your time in the Catechumenate. Are you able at this time to make this commitment? If so, what would you be interested in doing? (If you are not sure, the RCIA Team can help you to find a parish ministry of interest to you).

5. Are you ready to see that life in Christ is a constant process of conversion (of growth and change)? Are you ready to make some changes in your life to keep in touch with the Spirit of Jesus? What changes for you feel you need to make? How can the Catholic Church and we as team members help support you?

6. As you discern your readiness for the next step into the Catechumenate, what do you ask of God?

What do you ask of us as God' Church?

7. Are you prepared to make a commitment to participate regularly in the dismissal process on Sunday mornings at the 10:30 am mass?

8. What have you most appreciated about the inquiry? What has been challenging? Any suggestions to help improve this step of the process?

Please complete and then schedule an appointment to meet with one of the team members to share. You are also encouraged to share this with your sponsor. **It will be kept confidential!** Thank you for taking the time to think about this. (Note: Please keep a copy of this for future reference).

Name _____ Date _____

Team Member's Name _____ Date of Interview: _____

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