

# The Essentials of Christian Initiation

## A Six-Week Virtual Training Course on the RCIA

*The Essentials of Christian Initiation* (ECI), a six-week, virtual training course developed by Liturgy Training Publications, provides a basic and thorough introduction to the *Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults* and serves as a foundation to implementing the vision of Christian initiation ministry in a parish setting. The course guides participants through the various periods and steps of the RCIA through the lens of conversion, evangelization, and discipleship.

Each ninety-minute session will be a collaborative form of learning that combines expert presentations on the theology and practice of Christian initiation ministry with a chance to engage in mystagogical reflections with others in the course.

Participants will be assigned texts to read and videos to watch between weekly sessions. They will also receive access to a special website that include additional downloads, supplemental videos, and a class forum.

*The Essentials of Christian Initiation* will benefit:

- RCIA coordinators and team members
- New and experienced initiation ministers
- Liturgy and music directors and worship committee members
- Those in lay ministry or diaconal formation programs
- Priests and deacons seeking an ongoing formation experience



## AN INTRODUCTION TO THE RCIA

Sessions run from 8:00-9:30pm EST on Monday evenings.

**January 28, 2019:** The Principles of Initiation Ministry

**February 4, 2019:** The Responsibility of All the Baptized:

Conversion, Catechesis, Initiation, Reception into Full Communion

**February 11, 2019:** The Period of the Precatechumenate and the Rite of Acceptance

**February 18, 2019:** The Period of the Catechumenate

**February 25, 2019:** The Rite of Election and the Period of Purification and Enlightenment

**March 4, 2019:** Celebration of the Sacraments of Initiation & the Period of Mystagogy

## PRESENTERS – WINTER 2019



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Register today at [www.TEOCI.org](http://www.TEOCI.org) \$150 per person.

Registration deadline is January 16, 2019.

All participants should have a copy of the *Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults*.

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