

## **RCIA Program at St. Pius X Parish**

### **The Basic Information**

RCIA (the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) is the current process by which the Roman Catholic Church educates adults in the faith. These were formerly called “convert classes.” While many people who participate in the RCIA do become Catholic, others just want to know more about the Catholic faith. Occasionally, even lifelong Catholics decide that a little refresher course is helpful.

So, here are the basics of the program here at St. Pius X:

- Who:** Interested parties, called Inquirers  
Parish Team Members/Clergy  
Parish at large (we use a lot of volunteers)
- What:** Basics of the Catholic Faith  
Can lead to becoming a member of the Catholic Church, if one so desires that.  
Introduction to the prayer life of St. Pius X Parish
- Where:** St. Pius X, Parish Meeting Room # 1
- When:** Thursday evenings beginning in September  
7:00 - 9:00 p.m. with a mid time break
- Why:** To become familiar with how Catholics are to live their faith.  
To learn current teachings of the Church.
- How:** Main text is the Scripture and Catechism of the Catholic Church  
Also, various readings including ACM Handouts.  
Weekly topics are presented including:  
Story of Salvation, Mary, Scripture, Rituals, Prayer Life, Sacraments

For more specific information or to schedule a time to fill out the initial paperwork (very non-threatening) please contact the Director of Religious Education:

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