

Schedule for "RCIA—Renewing the Parish"

Saturday, June 2, 2018

8:00 a.m. Mass

9:00 Continental Breakfast

9:30-10:00 General Introduction to all participants (Dr. Petroc Willey)

- The beautiful process of conversion. What is the goal of conversion? Falling in love with Jesus!

10:00-10:45 Specific introduction to new and experienced groups:

1. Five years' experience or more (Willey and Keimig): Successes and challenges in RCIA: Strengthening personal commitment to Christ. How can we build upon past and present successes to make our programs better?
2. Five years' experience or fewer (Lankford and Carstens): Overview of RCIA process: How RCIA can reinvigorate your parish and its people.

11:00-11:45 Catechesis

1. Five years' experience or more (Willey and Keimig): Teaching to convert minds and hearts: How can good teaching engage the candidates and lead to a deeper encounter with Jesus?
2. Five years' experience or fewer (Lankford and Carstens): The best catechetical practices and resources to engage candidates and lead them to encounter Christ.

12:00-12:45 Rites

1. Five years' experience or more (Willey and Keimig): Rites: Gateways and Sources of Grace for Conversion. Why and how do we celebrate the minor rites?
2. Five years' experience or fewer (Lankford and Carstens): Rites give Grace. Navigating the RCIA book.

12:45-1:30 Lunch

1:30-2:00 Developing a plan

1. Five years' experience or more (Keimig and Lankford): Developing a 3-5 year plan to go to the next level. Practical next steps?
2. Five years' experience or fewer (Willey and Carstens): Developing a plan for first steps.

2:10-3:00 Pastoral component, both groups (Willey and/or Keimig)

- Pastoral Components: from initial motivation to firm conviction to a Catholic Worldview. How can our RCIA process make life-long, joyful, and evangelical Catholics? How to invite people to join RCIA?

3:10-4:30 Online learning system, both groups (Willey and Keimig)