

ST ANDREW'S PARISH

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS



Jesus turned and saw the two men following him. Jesus asked "What do you want?" The two men said, "Rabbi, where are you staying?" ("Rabbi" means "Teacher.") Jesus answered, "Come with me and you will see." So the two men went with Jesus.



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The stages of the RCIA

Stage 1: Inquiry Phase

August 2013 to July 2014

The RCIA Inquiry phase is a process of eleven monthly meetings on the first Wednesday of the month. The meetings start at 7.30pm and run for approximately one and a half hours.

It is a time of investigating the Catholic faith, a time to share stories and, most importantly, a time to ask questions. *Inquirers* are expected to keep a journal for reflection and questions. During the Inquiry phase it is **essential** and **required** that you attend mass fortnightly.

You can check with individual team members which mass they usually attend and join them if you are unsure about attending on your own.

Stage 2: Catechumenate Phase

August 2014 to February 2015

The Catechumenate phase continues the journey with a deeper commitment to becoming a full member of the Catholic faith. At this stage *Catechumens* start attending mass with their sponsors and the team and leave after the homily to 'break open the word', reflecting on and discussing the readings of the day.

Stage 3: Period of Purification and Enlightenment

February 2015 to April 2015

This is the time immediately preceding Easter, known as Lent, and contains many Rites that prepare the *catechumens* leading to the Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist.

Stage 4: Mystagogy

April 2015 to May 2015

The newly initiated Catholics, the *neophytes*, attend full Sunday Mass and spend time hearing from members of other Parish groups as well as reflecting on the Gospel of the day. It is time to find your place as members of the Catholic faith as well as members of St Andrew's Parish, Werribee.

This period finishes with the Mass of Thanksgiving followed by fellowship with our parishioners, family and friends.

Enquiry Phase

Date 2013	Topic	Presenter
August 7 th	Welcome and Overview	Team
September 4 th	The Church Calender/Mass Run Through	Team/Priest
October 2 nd	Images of God	Team
November 6 th	The Bible	Team
December 4 th	The Christmas Stories	Team

BREAK OVER CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR

Date 2014	Topic	Presenter
February 5 th	The Trinity	Team
March 5 th	The Historical Person of Jesus	DVD
April 2 nd	The Easter Story	Team
May 7 th	The Church in Action	Guest Speakers
June 4 th	Mary, Rosary, Saints	Team
July 2 nd	Women in the Church	Janine Luttick
August 6 th	Catechumenate Process/Rite OAC	Team
August 3 rd	Rite of Acceptance into the Order of Catechumens/Rite of Welcome/Presentation of Missal Gospel of the Day Fellowship	During Mass Team St Andrew's Parishioners

Catechumenate Phase

<i>We begin meeting on a fortnightly basis.</i>		
August 24 th	Gospel of the Day	Team
September 3rd	Prayer	Team
September 7 th	Gospel of the Day	Team
September 21 st	Gospel of the Day	Team
October 1st	The Sacraments	Team
October 5 th	Gospel of the Day	Team
October 19 th	Gospel of the Day	Team
November 2 nd	Gospel of the Day	Team
November 5th	Advent	Team
November 16 th	Gospel of the Day	Team
<i>With the beginning of Advent we meet on a weekly basis.</i>		
November 30 th	Gospel of the Day	
December 3rd	Baptism and Confirmation	Priest
December 7 th	Gospel of the Day	Team
December 14 th	Gospel of the Day	Team
December 16 th	Gospel of the Day	Team

BREAK OVER CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR

Date 2015	Topic	Presenter
February 1 st	Gospel of the Day	Team
February 4th	Lent	Team
February 8 th	Gospel of the Day	Team
February 15 th	Rite of Election/Gospel of the Day	St Andrew's Parish/Team

Period of Purification and Enlightenment

Date 2015	Topic	Presenter
February 18th	Ash Wednesday	Mass 7.30pm
February 22 nd 1 st Sunday of Lent	Rite of Election	St Patrick's Cathedral 2.30pm
March 1 st 2 nd Sunday of Lent	Gospel of the Day	Team
March 4th	Eucharist	Team
March 8 th 3 rd Sunday of Lent	1 st Scrutiny/Penitential Rite/Presentation of Creed Woman at the Well	Mass Team
March 15 th 4 th Sunday of Lent	2 nd Scrutiny/Penitential Rite Man Born Blind	Mass Team
March 22 nd 5 th Sunday of Lent	3 rd Scrutiny/Penitential Rite Raising of Lazarus	Mass Team
March 29 th Palm Sunday	Presentation of the Lord's Prayer Gospel of the Day	Mass Team
April 2 nd	Holy Thursday	Mass 7.30pm
April 3 rd	Good Friday	Mass 3.00pm
April 4 th	Holy Saturday Preparation Rites Rehearsal for Vigil	Service 9.00am
April 4th	Easter Vigil	Mass 7.45pm

Mystagogy

April 12 th	Neophyte's Reflection	Neophytes
April 19 th	Neophytes Reflection	
April 26 th	Sacraments of Reconciliation & Healing	Priest
May 3 rd	Pastoral Work/Finance	Pastoral Associate/Finance Officer
May 10 th	Choir/Fair/Liturgy Group	
May 17 th		
May 24 th	Mass of Thanksgiving	Mass followed by fellowship with family, friends and parishioners.

St Andrew's Parish

Parish Office Hours

Monday to Thursday	9.00am to 4.00pm
Friday	9.00am to 12.30pm 2.00pm to 4.00pm

Office Details

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Parish Priests

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Assistant Priest	Fr Shabin Kaniampuram
Assistant Priest	Fr Abraham Santiyagu

RCIA Team

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Team Bev Sullivan

Pastoral Care for St Andrew's Parish

South Central & Werribee South Community.

Werribee North Community Marthese Temming

Wyndham Vale Community and
Coordinator of Ministry to the Sick and Housebound
Louisa Sullivan

Home Based RE Coordinators Therese Kennedy
Benita Dahanayake

Baptism Prep & RCIC Program. Norma Marot



We recognize the traditional custodians of the land on which St Andrew's is located.

We acknowledge the people of the Kulin nation, in particular the people of the Kurung clan of the Wathaurung people, who lived on the western side of the Werribee River and Wurundjeri people who lived to the east of the river.

