



CHRISTIAN INITIATION

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Wed., Jan 15, 2025

National Statutes on the Christian Initiation of Adults



Agenda

1:30p

Welcome, Prayer, Intros

1:35p

National Statutes

2:25p

Announcements

2:30p

End



OCIA/RICA

Opening Prayer

God enlightens everyone who comes into the world,
and from the created world
he manifests his invisible attributes to each,
that all may learn to give thanks to their Creator.

To you, therefore, who have followed his light,
behold now, the way of the Gospel lies open.
In laying down solid foundations,
may you acknowledge the living God
who truly speaks to human beings.
Walking in the light of Christ,
may you put your trust in his wisdom.
Entrusting your life to him day by day,
May you come to believe in him with your whole heart.

We ask this through Christ, our Lord.

R. Amen.

- Rite of Entrance, "Initial Commitment," Option A (OCIA 52)



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National Statutes for the Christian Initiation of Adults

Why we are here

What we are doing today

Introduction to the National Statutes

From the Forward to the Revised Edition:

- Finally, the *National Statutes for the Christian Initiation of Adults*, the norms which regulate the discipline of Christian Initiation as well as the duties and prerogatives of catechumens, have also been revised to better reflect the experience of the Church in the United States. These statutes, which abrogate the National Statutes of 1988, are fewer in number and include only those statutes which are truly legislative, complementary to the universal law, and unique to the United States. They do not reiterate norms already contained in the ritual text or the universal law.
- It is the hope of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops that this new translation will be an occasion for each of us to live more deeply the promises of our own Baptism and to dedicate ourselves more intensely to the increase of God's holy People.



QUESTIONS

What questions of clarification do you have
about the National Statutes?



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DISCUSSION

What's your reaction to all of this?
How are you feeling?

Based on all of this, how will it change your
approach to Christian Initiation?



Formation Opportunities

- **March 25** (West Chester)/**March 26** (Tipp City): One-day workshop for all initiation ministers w/ Fr. Paul Turner
- Updated documentation on everything on AoC websites (one-page coaching sheet, FAQs, etc.)
- Webinar series Fall-Winter 2024-25 (**1:30-2:30 p.m.**):
 - **Feb 27:** Marriage Issues & the Catechumenate
- Location-based training for each Family team offered on demand
- Boot Camp for new initiation ministers annually TBD



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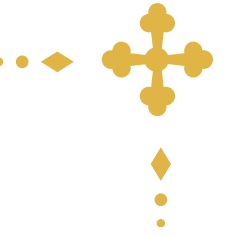
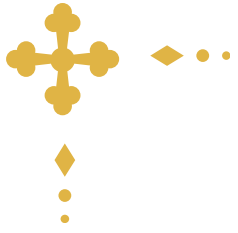
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Chicago, IL

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March 9, 2025 First Sunday of Lent

*2p (English) & 7p (Spanish) in both cities

Registration opens Jan 25

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