



Diocese of
Green Bay

OFFICE OF DIVINE WORSHIP

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DIOCESAN RCIA CALENDAR OUTLINE 2019-2020

Prior to Sending to Rite of Election and Call to Continuing Conversion	
	Parish Rite of Acceptance into the Order of Catechumens [Mandatory]
	Parish Rite of Welcoming the Candidates for the Full Communion of the Catholic Church [Optional]
Sunday, February 23 or March 1 (Morning), 2020	
	Parish Celebration of Rite of Sending Catechumens for Election [Mandatory]
	Parish Celebration of Rite of Sending Candidates for Recognition by the Bishop [Optional]
Sunday, March 1, 2020 (First Sunday of Lent)	
	Diocesan Rite of Election and Call to Continuing Conversion
	[Mandatory for Catechumens; Optional for Candidates]
	<i>1 PM, St. Francis Xavier Cathedral, Green Bay, WI</i>
	<i>(Weather Delay Date: March 17, 2020; Same Location/Time)</i>
Sunday, March 8, 2020 (Second Sunday of Lent)	
	Penitential Rite (Scrutiny) for Candidates [Optional]
Sunday, March 15, 2020 (Third Sunday of Lent)	
	First Scrutiny for Elect [Mandatory]
During the Third Week of Lent	
	Presentation of the Creed to Catechumens (if not completed in Catechumenate) [Recommended]
Sunday, March 22, 2020 (Fourth Sunday of Lent)	
	Second Scrutiny for Elect [Mandatory]
Sunday, March 29, 2020 (Fifth Sunday of Lent)	
	Third Scrutiny for Elect [Mandatory]
During the Fifth Week of Lent	
	Presentation of the Lord's Prayer to Catechumens (if not completed in Catechumenate) [Recommended]
Holy Saturday, April 11, 2020 (Prior to Easter Vigil)	
	Preparation Rites on Holy Saturday for Catechumens (if applicable per RCIA no. 186) [Recommended]
Saturday, April 11, 2020 (Easter Vigil in the Holy Night)	
	Celebration of the Sacraments of Initiation [Mandatory at Easter Vigil]
	Rite of Reception into the Full Communion of the Catholic Church [Optional at Easter Vigil or Other]

Parishes with Catechumens who do not complete those rituals which the RCIA indicates as mandatory should seek permission from the Office of the Bishop to celebrate on an alternative day.

Questions?

Please contact the Office of Divine Worship with any questions (see contact information below).

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