



## ST. BRENDAN THE NAVIGATOR R.C.I.A.

Thank you for your interest in the **RCIA** (**R**ite of **C**hristian **I**nitiation of **A**adults) process for the upcoming “year” which begins the third Tuesday in October at 7:30 p.m. in the St. Brendan the Navigator Church, Wellnitz Hall. We welcome you into a process where you will learn about the Roman Catholic Church, its rich traditions and its 2000 year old history.

When adults enter the **RCIA** process, they naturally come with questions. We explore these questions in conversation and dialogue over the months we meet while offering a variety of topics during each week’s session that will challenge you to deepen your understanding of what it means to become “Catholic.”

We meet **EACH WEEK** from October to the first week in May. Besides meeting weekly, there are several weekend rituals and activities that are part of the RCIA process (e.g. Rite of Welcome in December, Rite of Sending/Rite of Election in March, retreat day prior to the Easter Vigil in April). Making the commitment to attend all Tuesday evening sessions and weekend rituals and activities is of paramount importance. The Rites and Retreat do require attendance. If you are unable to attend a particular night, please phone, or e-mail Sister Joanne at 876-9533 [jbogarty2@yahoo.com](mailto:jbogarty2@yahoo.com) or Teresa Boyne at 876-1272 [tboyne@stbrendans.net](mailto:tboyne@stbrendans.net)

Our first information sharing night is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. ending around 9:00 p.m., in Wellnitz Hall, (located in the bottom level of the parish office building). We meet the *first Tuesday of each month* in the school cafeteria and the remaining weeks of the month in **WELLNITZ HALL**

Please complete the enclosed RCIA Inquirer form (also available from the website) and ***bring it with you*** to the first session. You will need to attach to it a copy of your **baptismal form** (IF you are baptized in another faith, or were baptized Catholic). Also needed is a companion (Sponsor) who will walk this faith journey **each week** with you. If you know someone who is a practicing Catholic and is willing to attend **each** Tuesday night session OR if you would like us to pair you with a sponsor from the parish, indicate that as your choice on the form. We have faith filled adults willing to be sponsors.

You will need a **3 ring binder and paper/notebook** in which to place information you receive each week. Bring your personal calendar with you. We will ask you to earmark particular dates on it.

We look forward to meeting you!

Sincerely,

Sister Joanne Fogarty & RCIA Team  
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[www.stbrendans.net/r\\_c\\_i\\_a\\_.htm](http://www.stbrendans.net/r_c_i_a_.htm)