

# Good Shepherd Catholic Church

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## Expectations for the RCIA Program Participants

1. **Attendance** at all RCIA class sessions, special rite and retreat.
  - a. Up to FOUR excused absences are allowed during the full course of the program.  
\*Please call either one of the RCIA Team Members noted below if you cannot make it to one of the sessions.
  - b. Additional absences may be approved only on a case-by-case basis.
  - c. For all missed class sessions, participants have to submit written answers to all the questions found in each chapter of the U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults.
  - d. Punctuality – arrival to all class sessions on time.
  - e. Spouses and sponsors are welcome to all class sessions.
  - f. As much as possible, make any arrangements needed for the care of young children and other family members during class time.
2. **Mass Attendance** at Good Shepherd's 9 a.m. Sunday Mass.
  - a. Reserved seating in the church will be designated for the RCIA.
  - b. Family members and sponsors are welcome to join RCIA participants in the reserved sections.
  - c. Be prepared to discuss the Mass readings at the beginning of each class session.
3. **Class Preparation**
  - a. Participants will receive the following: (1) U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults; (2) Holy Bible; (3) Benedictine cross. **Participants are asked to donate \$50 to cover for all these materials.**
  - b. Complete all weekly readings before each session.
  - c. Participate in class discussions and activities as an adult student.
4. **Consideration**
  - a. Respect the opinions of others during class and abide by normal rules of order.

Exceptions to the above may be granted upon advance notification and approval by the RCIA Team.

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