RCIA CATECHESIS via ZOOM 2020-2021

There will be 16 participants from St. Mary's Parish and the Family of Parishes. Participants will include candidates, sponsors, community support people and one staff person.

Weekly Catechetical Sessions will be held on Monday evenings from 6:30-8:00 PM from the second week in September until the end of May (approximately 20 sessions with breaks during the holidays, etc.)

Sessions will include:

- Opening Prayer
- Recap of the past week, reflection on life experience and the materials provided
- Presentation of a topic by a Master Catechist from the Archdiocese of Detroit
- Faith Sharing / Discussion / Questions
- Announcements from the parish staff regarding activities in the parish such as the rites, etc...
- Closing Prayer (to include a reflection on the upcoming Sunday readings)

A Sampling of Topics:

- What Is the RCIA? What to Expect
- Faith and Religion
- Triune God
- Humanity and Divinity of Jesus
- Sacred Scripture
- The Teaching of Jesus
- The Church
- Organization of the Church
- Catholicism
- Sacraments of Initiation
- Sacraments of Witness and Vocation
- Sacraments of Healing
- The Liturgical Year, Saints, Seasons
- The Liturgy
- Prayer and Meditation
- Morality and Conscience Formation
- Sin and Grace
- Church Teaching on Social Justice
- Mary, The Mother of Jesus
- Steps on the Journey, Lay Ministry, Discipleship

All materials will be provided to the participants in advance of each session. Materials will include reading, video and audio links.