

1st Sunday of Advent:

The Rite of Acceptance into the Order of Catechumens and the Rite of Welcoming Candidates:

These two Rites provide the parish with a wonderful opportunity to focus on the ministry of welcome and hospitality in the Church, a ministry that requires all members of the parish community to be aware of their roles in welcoming and supporting Catechumens and Candidates in this journey.

State RCIA Conference in 2019

Date Claimer: 11 - 13 October

This is advance notice to request that you claim the date for the State Conference for 2019, which is being planned for Friday 11th October through to midday on Sunday 13th October, and will be held at the Monastery.

Further details will be published via this newsletter as soon as keynote speakers can be confirmed.

Advent Prayer Resource

You may have received notification of this year's Advent Prayer/Reflection booklet, a joint effort by the Office for Renewing Parishes and the Office for Worship Team.

This resource would be useful for your own reflection and prayer during Advent and may also be useful for your work with enquirers and candidates.

Adult Confirmation

On Saturday, November 3rd, 10 Adults celebrated the Sacrament of Confirmation in St. Francis Xavier Cathedral. Fr. Philip Marshall was the celebrant.

Each year the Office for Worship provides two opportunities for Adult Confirmation: one is usually held in the first half of the year, sometime after Easter, and the second is held early November. Each celebration is preceded by a preparation session for all candidates, and this will normally take place in the Cathedral Hall.

Any enquiries you may receive about Adult Confirmation can be directed to me at the Office for Worship, either on 82108228, or via email khoran@ow.adelaide.catholic.org.au



Kathy Horan
RCIA Co-ordinator

Rite of Election

This will take place on the first Sunday of Lent, 10th March, at 2 p.m. at St. Patrick's Church

*And with that He
breathed on them
and said,*



"Receive the Holy Spirit"

Stational Masses for 2019

I have included below the arrangements, times and places for the Stational Masses for 2019, in the hopes that you will encourage your RCIA candidates and all parishioners to take part in one of these Masses in your Deanery. Attendance at a Stational Mass affirms the notion that we are all journeying together towards the celebration of Easter and is a powerful way of observing an ancient Lenten practice in the Church.

The following dates and places for Stational Masses in 2019 have been confirmed:

Mid-North Deanery	Maitland:	Tuesday 12th March at 6.30 p.m
Northern Deanery	Salisbury	Wednesday 20th March at 7.00 p.m.
Eastern Deanery	Bridgewater	Tuesday 26th March at 7.00 p.m.
Southern Deanery	Hallet Cove	Thursday 28th March at 7.00 p.m.
North-Eastern Deanery	Clearview	Friday 5th April at 7.00 p.m.
Western Deanery	Henley Beach	Thursday 4th April at 7.00 p.m.
South Eastern Deanery	Millicent	Thursday 11th April (Time TBC)

Updating Data Base of Parish contacts:

We are in the process of updating our Parish contact data base, as over the last couple of years there have been various changes in people who have some involvement and responsibility for RCIA in parishes. I would find it very helpful as a way of moving forward, if you could assist by providing me with contact details of the relevant people in your parish.

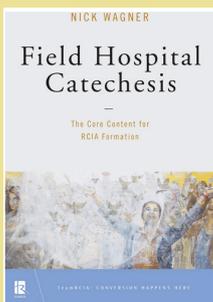
Please feel free to make a contribution to this newsletter, which I hope to send out on a monthly basis. If you have particular questions or wish to share what is happening in your parish, this could be a good forum for doing so.

With best wishes and blessings,

Kathy Horan
Office for Worship

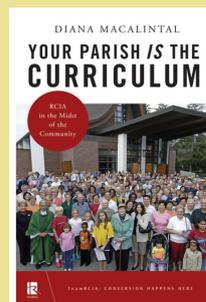
Resources of Interest

The following books are available at Pauline Book and Media:



Field Hospital Catechesis by Nick Wagner

If, as Pope Francis says, the church is a field hospital, then what does it mean to care for the wounded and heal the wounds? What would we do first?



Your Parish Is The Curriculum by Diana Macalintal

Diana Macalintal offers a practical and engaging vision for parishes as communities of discipleship that accompany people at all stages of their faith journey through the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults,

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