

Office of Christian Formation

Services provided by John Schexnaildre, RCIA Consultant

John Schexnaildre has been the RCIA Consultant for the Lafayette Diocese for the past eight years. He has over 25 years experience in the RCIA process. He is available during the day or evenings to travel to the parishes in the Diocese to assist in initiating the RCIA process or provide training to improve an existing process. He is able to provide training or consulting services in the following areas:

1. Initiating the RCIA process in the parish with no prior experience. John will visit the parish and meet with the RCIA Coordinator and provide a step by step guide to beginning the process.
2. Initial interview training with emphasis on valid baptisms and annulments if needed.
3. Provide follow up guidance and/or training throughout the year as the parish progresses through the different periods.
4. Provide copies of the three major rites and three minor rites to act as a guide. The parishes can easily make changes and tailor the rite to meet their needs.
5. Provide training in the following areas:
 - a. John has a 1 ½ hour power point on the vision of the RCIA which provides an overview of the entire process.
 - b. Team formation and training.
 - c. Sponsor training which would include methods of selecting and matching sponsor and candidate.
 - d. Dismissal training for the Sunday dismissal.
 - e. Training on the catechesis recommended for each of the four periods.
 - f. Prayer in the Catechumenate.
 - g. Annulments in the RCIA.

- h. Use of resources specifically written for the RCIA process.
- i. Prayer services and the use of music.
- j. The year round Catechumenate.
- k. Retreats in the RCIA.
- l. Workshops on various topics in the RCIA.
- m. Discernment in the RCIA

John's cell number is 337-654-9671. You can call him anytime you have a question or would like to schedule an appointment. His email at Holy Cross is Adultfaith@holycrosslafayette.com.