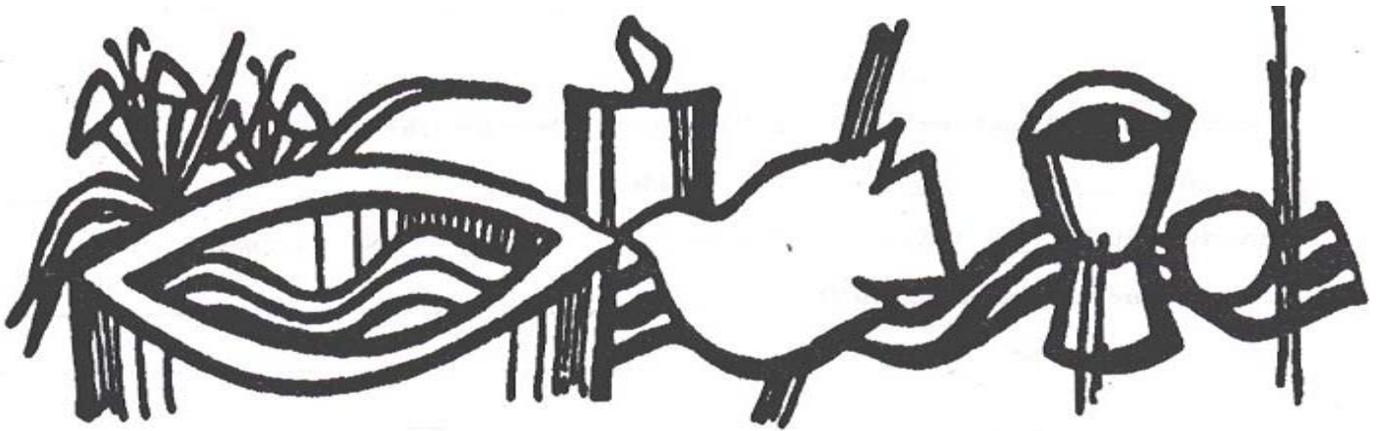


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**The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults
PRE-INITIATION INVENTORY**



Name: _____

Date: _____

*This interview is to be conducted prior to
The Rite of Acceptance into the Order of Catechumens, or
The Rite of Welcome*

INTERVIEW

1. Name: _____ Phone: _____

2. Address: _____

3. Date of Birth: _____ Place: _____

If the person is a child, consult A on page 4. There is a separate Pre-Initiation Inventory for Children.

4. Father's Name: _____ Religion: _____

5. Mother's Name: _____ Religion: _____

6. Where you baptized? _____ If yes, where? _____

(name of Church)

(address of Church)

(denomination of Church)

(date of baptism)

In case of prior baptism, consult B on page 4.

7. Have you ever been confirmed: _____ Received Communion? _____

In case of prior confirmation, consult C on page 4.

Church: _____ Church: _____

Denomination: _____ Denomination: _____

Date: _____ Date: _____

8. Have you ever been accepted as a Catechumen / Candidate in the Catholic Church? _____

If yes, when: _____ where: _____

9. Are you currently married: _____ Yes – Complete A below. _____ No – Complete B below

A. If yes, to whom are you presently married? _____

Date and place of marriage: _____

Officiant: _____

(name)

(title)

Prior to this marriage, have you ever been married to another person in church, civilly, or in common law? _____

In case of prior marriage, consult D on page 4.

Has your spouse ever been married (prior to your marriage) to another person in church, civilly, or in common law? _____

In case of spouse's marriage, consult E on page 4.

B. If no, have you ever been married before to another person in Church, civilly or in common law? _____

In case of prior marriage, consult D on page 4.

(Date)

(Signature of the interviewer)

WORKSHEET

This sheet is to be filled in as the information becomes available.
If the person is unbaptized, answer Questions 10 through 13.
If the person has been baptized, go to question 14.

These questions are for unbaptized persons. An unbaptized person may have either a godmother or a godfather, or both.

10. God mother _____ Religion * _____

* The Godmother must be at least 16 years of age, already confirmed and faithfully living the Catholic Faith.

Address of Godmother _____

Phone _____

Godfather _____ Religion * _____

* The Godfather must be at least 16 years of age, already confirmed and faithfully living the Catholic Faith.

Address of Godmother _____

Phone _____

Enter the following dates:

11. Rite of Acceptance into the Order of Catechumens _____

Discernment for Admission to Election _____

12. Rite of Election _____

13. Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist _____

Upon celebration of the sacraments, the information is to be entered into the Baptism Register and the Confirmation Register in the usual manner.

These questions are for already-baptized non-Catholics.

14. Sponsor _____ Religion * _____

* The sponsor must be at least 16 years of age, already confirmed and faithfully living the Catholic Faith.

Address of Sponsor _____

Phone _____

Enter the following dates:

15. Rite of Welcome _____

Discernment for Admission to Call to Continuing Conversion _____

16. Reception into the Full Communion of the Catholic Church _____

Upon reception into full communion, the information is to be entered into the Register of Reception into Full Communion.

A. AGE

Since children who have reached the use of reason are considered, for purposes of Christian initiation to be adults (canon 852 § 1), their formation should follow the general pattern of the ordinary catechumenate as far as possible. They should receive the sacraments of baptism, confirmation and eucharist at the Easter Vigil, together with the older catechumens. A Pre-Initiation Inventory Sheet for Children is available from the Office of Worship.

B. PRIOR BAPTISM

1. obtain a baptismal certificate.
2. **a.** Orthodox (Greek, Russian, Coptic, Ukrainian, Armenian, etc.): Are to be received into full communion in the corresponding Eastern Catholic Rite. Please consult the Chancery.
- b.** Episcopalian, Methodist, Lutheran, Presbyterian, and many others: Are validly baptized (no rebaptism is permitted) and when received into the Church are to be confirmed and admitted to the Eucharist.
- c.** Baptist, Mormon, Salvation Army, Jehovah’s Witness, Pentecostal, Unitarian, etc.”: There baptisms are not accepted without question. E.g. in the case of Baptist baptism, it must be shown that baptism was administered in the name of the Trinity, and also that true baptism took place and not just ‘dedication.’
3. *Note:* those baptized in a non-Catholic ecclesial community are **not** to be baptized conditionally unless, after an examination of the matter and the form of words are used in the conferral of baptism, and after a consideration of the intention of an adult baptized person and of the minister of the baptism, a serious reason for doubting the validity of the baptism is present.
 When there is a reasonable and prudent doubt concerning the baptism of such Christians which cannot be resolved after serious investigation into the fact an/or validity of baptism, namely, to ascertain whether the person was baptized with water and with the Trinitarian formula, and whether the minister and the recipient of the sacrament had the proper requisite intentions, and if conditional baptism seems necessary, this must be celebrated privately rather than at a public liturgical assembly of the community. The reception into full communion should take place later at the Sunday Eucharist of the community or at the Easter Vigil.

C. PRIOR CONFIRMATION

The validity of Confirmation in other Christian faiths is not recognized (unless the person has been confirmed in an Orthodox faith – in this case consult the Chancery). Upon reception into the church, the person is to be confirmed prior to receiving communion.

D. PREVIOUS MARRIAGE OF INQUIRER

A decree of Nullity must be obtained from the Chancery if the marriage is invalid because of Lack of Form. FOR ANY OTHER MARRIAGES, CONSULT THE DIOCESAN TRIBUNAL BEFORE THE PERSON MAY BE ADMITTED TO THE INITIAITON SACRAMENTS.

1. How many times were you married? _____
2. To whom? _____ Religion? _____
 Date _____
 Officiant _____
 Place _____
3. If a former spouse is deceased, give date of death _____ Certificate Number _____
4. If a former marriage was dissolved or declared null by the Church given:
 Diocese and Protocol No: _____ Date of Decree _____

E. PREVIOUS MARRIAGE OF CURRENT SPOUSE

A decree of Nullity must be obtained if the marriage is invalid because of Defect of Form. FOR ANY OTHER MARRIAGES, AN ECCLESIASTICAL ANNULMENT MUST BE OBTAINED FROM THE MARRIAGE TRIBUNAL BEFORE THE PERSON MAY BE ADMITTED TO THE INITIATION SACRMENTS

1. How many times were you married? _____
2. To whom? _____ Religion? _____
3. _____
 Date _____
 Officiant _____
 Place _____
4. If a former spouse is deceased, give date of death _____ Certificate Number _____
5. If a former marriage was dissolved or declared null by the Church given:
 Diocese and Protocol No: _____ Date of Decree _____