



rites - sacraments

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RCIA - RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

- [Christian Initiation – General Introduction](#) (Liturgy Office)
- [Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults – Introduction](#) (Liturgy Office)
- [Guide to RCIA](#) (Diocese of Clifton)
- [Sharing the Word – a guide to Lectionary-based Catechesis](#) (Liturgy Office)
- [At Home with the Word](#): Questions for reflection and activities
- [Lifelong Catechesis](#): Scripture background, questions for reflection, activities (Our Sunday Visitor)
- [Sending Catechumens for Election and Candidates for Recognition by the Bishop](#) (Liturgy Office)
- [The Presentations](#) (Creed and Lord's Prayer), article by Paul Turner

INCLUSION

- [Guidelines for the Celebration of the Sacraments with Persons with Disabilities](#) (United States Conference of Catholic Bishops)

BAPTISM & CONFIRMATION

- [Christian Initiation: General Introduction](#) (Liturgy Office)
- [Rite of Baptism of Children: Introduction](#) (Liturgy Office)
- [Order of Confirmation: Apostolic Constitution & Introduction](#) (Liturgy Office)
- [Order of Confirmation: Lectionary Readings](#) (Liturgy Office)
- [Order of Confirmation: Renewal of Baptismal Promises](#) (Liturgy Office)
- [Laying on of Hands & Anointing with Chrism](#) (Liturgy Office)
- [Confirmation Rite guidelines](#) (Archdiocese of Los Angeles)

RECONCILIATION

- [Rite of Penance – Introduction](#) (Liturgy Office)
- [Resources for Rite of Penance](#) (Liturgy Office)
- [Resources for Advent Penitential Liturgies](#) (Liturgy Office)
- [Advent Scripture Cards](#) in preparation for celebration of the sacrament
- [Resources for Lent Penitential Liturgies](#) (Liturgy Office)
- [Guide for children preparing for the sacrament](#) (Liturgy Office)
- [Resources for Sacrament of Reconciliation](#) (Bishops' Conference of England & Wales)
- [Rediscovering the Sacrament of Penance](#) (US Bishops' Conference)
- [Sacrament of Reconciliation – A Simple Guide](#) (Clifton Diocese)

- [Your Sins are Forgiven – Exploring the Sacrament of Pardon and Peace](#) (Fr Gerard Bradley)
- [Preparing for the Sacrament of Reconciliation](#) (St Nicholas, Boldmere)
- [Celebrating the mercy of God – the place of Reconciliation](#) (from [Consecrated for Worship](#))

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK

- [When Someone is Ill](#) (Liturgy Office)
- [Pastoral Care of the Sick – Lectionary Readings](#) (Liturgy Office)
- [Pastoral Care of the Sick and Dying](#): links to the rite and texts
- [Anointing of the Sick – who it's for](#) (YouTube)
- [Prayer in times of Sickness](#) (Liturgy Office)
- [Prayers with the Dying](#): Commendation of the Dying in Pastoral Care of the Sick
- [The Art of Dying Well](#): practical and spiritual support to those facing death

MARRIAGE

- [Order of Celebrating Matrimony – Introduction](#) (Liturgy Office)
- [Preparing the Marriage Liturgy](#): including order of service templates
- The following Liturgy Office pdfs include the structure of the wedding liturgy and the responses. They can be printed and inserted into a leaflet or order of service:
[Order of Celebrating Matrimony with Mass](#)
[Order of Celebrating Matrimony](#) without Mass
[Order of Celebrating Matrimony without Mass](#) where one of the couple is not baptised (pdf)
- [Lectionary readings](#) for Rite of Marriage, including reflections on the readings (Liturgy Office)
- [Sample Intercessions \(Prayer of the Faithful\)](#) (Liturgy Office)
- [Blessing a Married Couple within Mass on the Anniversary of Marriage](#) (Liturgy Office)
- [Blessings of Married Couples](#) (Book of Blessings)
- [Blessing of an Engaged Couple](#) (Book of Blessings)
- [Points to ponder in the revised order of Christian marriage](#) article by Fr Paul Turner

HOLY ORDERS – BISHOPS, PRIESTS AND DEACONS

- [Music for Ordination of Bishops, Priests & Deacons](#), Chant versions of the ritual prayers from the revised translation (2018) of the Rite of Ordination (USCCB)
- [Installation of a Bishop](#), England & Wales
- [Rite of Ordination of a Priest](#) commentary, (Diocese of Syracuse)

RITE OF DEDICATION OF A CHURCH AND AN ALTAR

- [Rite of Dedication of a Church and an Altar](#), An Introduction