



Christian Initiation

Christian Initiation is the process of welcoming individuals into the Catholic Church, the family of God. The journey begins in response to God's call to conversion and having grown in faith through engagement with scripture, prayer and the Church community, leads to Baptism. In baptism we renounce evil, receive forgiveness of all sins and so the gift of new life.

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rClyp – Rite of Christian Initiation of Young People:

Why is it needed and who is it for?

The **Come and See** resource has been created in response to the growing number of young people seeking to explore their faith and relationship with God; possibly with a view to being

These include:

- ✚ Teenagers who, due to circumstances have not received the Sacraments with peers
- ✚ Students in Catholic Schools who are curious about Jesus & the Catholic Church
- ✚ Young people with eternal questions human beings have always asked: *who; when; where; what; why; how?*
- ✚ Young people with questions on 'our' and 'their' stewardship of the earth
- ✚ Young people with questions about the Church today
- ✚ Young people with questions about why they are Catholic
- ✚ Young people seeking to make connections with their peers
- ✚ Young people introduced to the Catholic Church, may be through family or friends – but with questions?
 - ✚ Young people committed to their faith, who wish to accompany others on their journey

welcomed into the Church.

The Invitation to *Come and See*

The ***Year of Youth***, celebrated by the Australian Church in 2018, prompted an initial exploration of a process to support young people who wish to ***Come and See*** what Jesus and the Christian faith might bring to their lives. The ***Come and See*** resource is the culmination of three years' work.

The ***Come and See***, rClyp, materials focus on three different development stages:

- 9 -12 young adolescents (resources for 1hr)
 - 12 -15 young teens (resources for 1.5hrs)
 - 15 -18 older teens and young adults (resources for 2hrs)
- For each of the four stages of the initiation journey Catechist notes and accompanying materials are provided. An overview of these can be found in the framework given on pages 8 -11.
 - The content elements are similar for all age groups.
 - Materials and activities are age appropriate, but some can be used across the age groups. The needs and maturity of the young people is more significant than the age.

The Spiritual Journey:

Is it different for young people? In a nutshell yes.

Adolescence is a time of questioning, scrutiny and discernment. A stage in life when exploration of spirituality and faith can help individuals make sense of the questions, face up to the doubts and be open to find answers in places they not had not anticipated. By offering positive opportunities for young people to reflect on ways to live in harmony with God, self, others and creation, the Church can help young people explore the meaning of life and faith, in engaging and life-changing ways.

The ***Come and See*** resources are designed to assist with that process. Providing a welcoming and supportive environment is crucial for the young minds to be nurtured, and young hearts nourished.

When does the process of rClyp begin?

The process can begin at any time. The length of each stage, and the journey overall is not fixed. Discernment is ongoing, enabling young people and Catechists determine if, and when, individuals are ready to make the commitment to life-long Missionary Discipleship.

Parish Based rClyp

The witness of committed Christians is essential in the formation of missionary disciples. It is therefore important that faith filled young people accompany the inquirers on the journey. Contact with the wider parish community must also take place throughout the process. Such contact can take place in many different ways, incorporating different people, events and experiences.

Affirmation of the need for Parish involvement

The *Rite of Christian Initiation* of Adults #4 states

The initiation of catechumens is a gradual process that takes place within the community of the faithful. By joining the catechumens in reflecting on the value of the paschal mystery and by renewing their own conversion, the faithful provide an example that will help the catechumens to obey the Holy Spirit more generously.

The *General Directory for Catechesis* 257-258 states

The parish is, without doubt, the most important locus in which the Christian community is formed and expressed. This is called to be a fraternal and welcoming family where Christians become aware of being the People of God... (Catechesi Tradendae 67b) The parish is also the usual place in which faith is born and in which it grows.

The *Sacramental Policy for School-Aged Children* in the Archdiocese of Perth reinforces this understanding.

The sacraments take place within the context of a Christian community that we call a parish. In this way, we are welcomed into the much bigger community of the Church...Christian initiation is about becoming a member of the church, the faith community that follows Jesus... Christian initiation involves participation in, and commitment to, the stories, rituals and mission of the faith community.

(*Sacramental Policy for School-Aged Children*,
Archdiocese of Perth. 1, 2.1, 2.4)

The *Bishops of WA* remain united in the belief that

"It is the parish community that invites and welcomes new members; it is where initiation into the faith is celebrated and nurtured, it is where people learn to live as a community of the faithful."
(*Bishops Mandate, 2009-2015 #79*)

In his 2013 apostolic exhortation '*The Joy of the Gospel*,' Pope Francis assures us that the role of all the baptised is to be missionary disciples.

In virtue of their baptism, all the members of the People of God have become missionary disciples (Mt 28:19)

All the baptized, whatever their position in the Church or their level of instruction in the faith, are agents of evangelization, and it would be insufficient to envisage a plan of evangelization to be carried out by professionals while the rest of the faithful would simply be passive recipients. The new evangelization calls for personal involvement on the part of each of the baptized.

rClyp - The Rite and the Reality

The Second Vatican Council called for the Rite of Baptism for Adults to be revised in a manner closely aligned to the early church practice, and so include:

- Several clear steps, *marked by*
- Liturgical Rites
- Well suited instruction
- Support within a parish community

The same applies for the process of welcoming young people into the Church. In reality, the young people interested in Sacramental Initiation may not have any genuine link with a parish. For many, the Catholic school is their only experience of Church. Creating a bridge between school and parish communities is therefore essential if nurture of a young persons' faith is to happen beyond their school days.

Responsibility for this nurture does not rely solely on the Catechists. Each member of the parish community also has a part to play. As the Rite clearly expresses:

*"...the people of God, as represented by the local Church, should understand and show by their concern that the initiation of adults is the responsibility of **all** the Baptised.*

In the various circumstances of daily life, even as in the apostolate, all the followers of Christ have the obligation of spreading the faith according to their abilities." RCIA #9:

Of course, not everyone can be a Catechist, or accompanier. However, every person can offer a smile of welcome, and pray for the young people throughout their journey.

Who is involved?

- The Spiritual Director is always the Parish Priest. His position and contact with parishioners can help to identify parishioners able to support the process of rClyp.

It is essential that the Parish Priest establishes a relationship with the young enquirers, since he is the face of the parish the person who will celebrate the Rites with them, along the way to the Sacraments of Initiation.

Others who might be involved include:

- **Parishioners:** as Catechists, as people who befriend, provide hospitality to the young people and support to the rClyp process; living examples of the Body of Christ.
- **Secondary School staff:** who might initially encourage the young people to embark on the journey, then provide moral support along the way.
- **Young peers:** to accompany and share their own faith experiences with the young, people throughout the rClyp journey. They demonstrate lived faith and true discipleship.



rClyp - a four stage process

The process of welcoming young people into the Church involves the same four stages as for adult inquirers.

Evangelisation *'Inquirer'*

- Desires to know God more
- Is open to engaging with God through prayer & Scripture
- Is open to developing a sense of service
- Is open to belonging to

INQUIRY

Formation & Catechesis *'Catechumen & Candidate'*

- Deepening their relationship with God and
- Becoming more comfortable with prayer, liturgy
- Growing more familiar with the Gospel message
- Appreciating the value of Church Community

GROWING in UNDERSTANDING of the CATHOLIC FAITH

Prayer & Discernment *'Elect'*

- Discernment of spiritual formation
- Prayerful Reflection
- Deepening comfort & engagement in the liturgical life of the parish
- Strengthening practice of living out the Christian faith in daily life

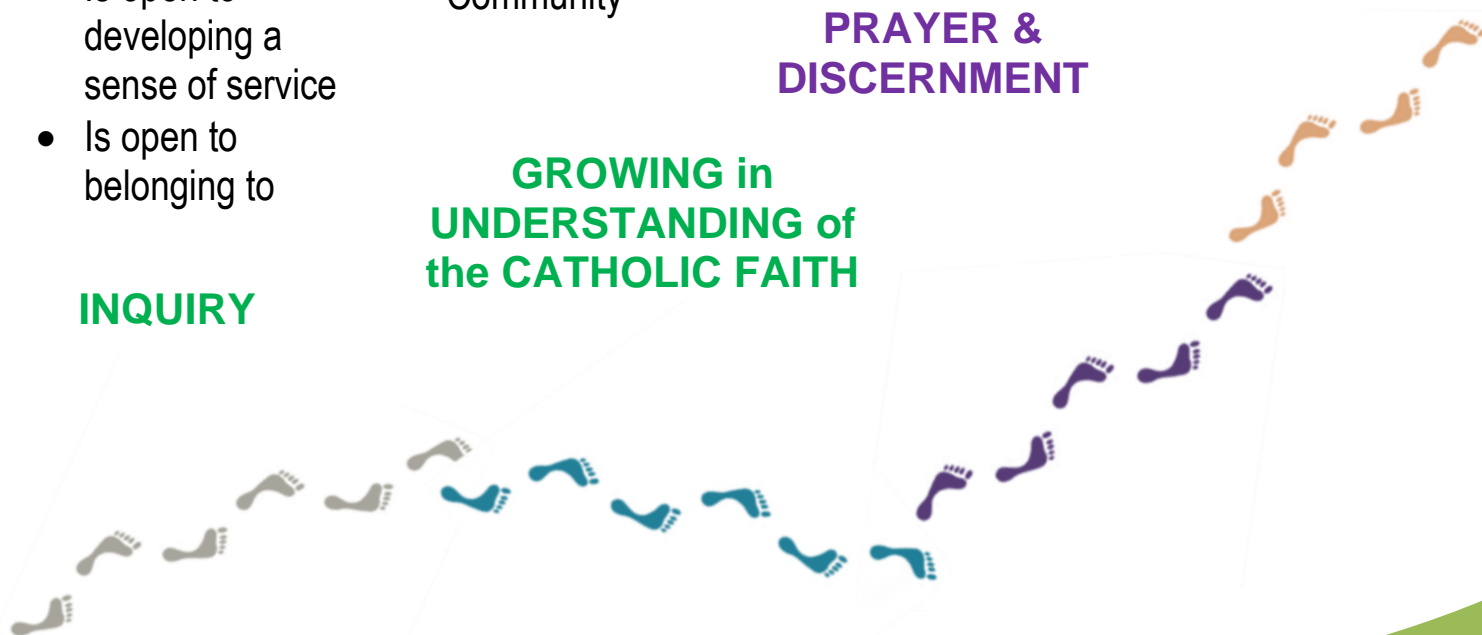
SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION

PRAYER & DISCERNMENT

Ongoing Formation *'Living Disciple'*

- Ongoing deepening of relationship with God
- Ongoing growth and familiarity with the Gospels
- Comfortable deepening practice of prayer and liturgical worship
- Belonging and acceptance in Parish Community
- Ongoing formation in mission and life of discipleship

LIVING the FAITH



The rClyp *Come and See* Resource

In keeping with the recommended Archdiocesan model of welcoming new members into the Catholic faith, the ***Come and See*** materials include three forms of catechesis: ***Liturgical, Lectionary*** and ***Catholic tenets of faith***. In the preparation and celebration of the Rite permitted adaptations have been incorporated. The three forms of catechesis offer a breadth of Catholic faith, tradition and understanding.

1. **Lectionary Catechesis** breaks open Scripture to develop understanding of Jesus' life, teaching and example.
2. **Liturgical Catechesis** shares the rites, worship and prayer life of the Church, strengthening the relationship of those in the rClyp process with Jesus.
3. **Catholic Tenets of Faith** unpack the Church's teaching, using faith and reason to engage young people with the Catholic faith and practices.



The Christian faith calls us into a real and living relationship with Jesus Christ.

rClyp introduces young people to:

- 1 **Being** deepening their personal relationship with God: Father, Son and the Holy Spirit.
- 2 **Story** becoming familiar with Jesus' life, teaching and example through the Gospels and their own story.
- 3 **Liturgy** developing and deepening their relationship with Jesus through prayer and worship.
- 4 **Belonging** growing in their faith practice through a sense of acceptance by and welcome into a Parish Community of faith.
- 5 **Service** understanding the practice of lived discipleship and mission as integral to the Christian calling.

The rClyp Journey into Faith

Getting Started

Use the **Come and See** resource to respond to local need, or simply offer young people the opportunity to explore the Christian faith, bearing in mind the importance of

- **Liaison with clergy** – ideally parishes will work as a cluster to identify
 - Catechists and young adults willing to accompany young people on their faith journey
 - Preparation and training to understand the rClyp process and becoming familiar with the **Come and See** Materials
 - A recruitment strategy: within the parishes, local high schools, both Government and Catholic, to invite participation
- Contact the OCI for assistance with any of the above.

Key Components of rClyp Gatherings

- ✓ Hospitality: a warm welcome to all, with refreshments offered
- ✓ Introduction to the session focus and settling in activity
- ✓ Prayer: Opening, closing or interspersed
- ✓ Visual prayer focus linked to the season / focus of the day
- ✓ Activities and conversations linked to the content focus
- ✓ Scripture readings linked to the content and / or Sunday Liturgy
- ✓ Social time and refreshments to end – *this is really important*

NB: *The young people are not preparing for an exam. Yes, there needs to be input and learning, but that happens in many different ways. Meaningful conversations should not be interrupted to ensure content is covered. Diversions occur as questions about faith, conversations around current life or moral issues naturally arise. Missed input can be incorporated into other linked steps along the way.*

A Process of Participation

- All group members are encouraged to participate to the best of their ability.
- Catechists must take care to prevent domination of the conversation by one person, or the exclusion of any individual. They also need to share appropriately too.
- Open-ended questions are to be encouraged and responses teased out together.
- Where a question cannot be fully answered, the individual is to be reassured that the answer will be followed up next session.

Framework of steps for each of the four stages of the rClyp process

The **Come and See** resource offers a scope and sequence framework of topics and age appropriate resources to use with those journeying into the Catholic faith. The aim is to support parishioners involved in the evangelical ministry of Christian Initiation. It offers clear directions regarding content and process, along with great flexibility. Accommodating the needs of the young people with whom the beauty and richness of the Catholic faith is being shared is essential for the creation of life-long missionary disciples.

Framework for rClyp – Young Teens, 12-15 years

INQUIRY Steps RCIA # 242-265

GROWING IN FAITH Steps RCIA # 242-249,

The young enquirers are invited to Come and See what Christians believe, how they live, pray and serve.		Building on the initial conversations and discoveries the young people gain more insights into God, Jesus and faith.	
Young Teens	Resources	Young Teens	Resources
All about me and God	Experiences of God	The Trinity	Father Son and Holy Spirit
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Why am I here • Experience of Creation & God's love • God's plan for and promise to us • Timeline activity • Scripture and Prayer 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Crossroads 13-16's Catechist Notes 1 • Come & See 12-15 Step 1 Notes & Resources Additional • ClotY Lectio Divina Call 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • God and Community • Baptism – and the Trinity • The Sign of the Cross • Baptism and Mission • Scripture and Prayer 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Crossroads 13-16's Catechist Notes 1 • Come & See 12-15 Step 1 Notes & Resources Additional • AHWGP ch 5 • Call & Response ch 13 • WWM Kerygma 4
Jesus	Jesus	The Bible	The Bible
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Who is Jesus? • Characteristics of Jesus • Jesus' life and Mission • Jesus' followers today • Scripture and Prayer 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Crossroads 13-16's Catechist Notes 2 • Come & See 12-15 Step 2 Notes & Resources • Additional • Catholic Enquiry 1& 3 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How God speaks to us • The structure of the Bible • Exploring the Bible activity • The Old Testament - video • The word became flesh • Scripture and Prayer 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Crossroads 13-16's Catechist Notes 2 Additional • AHWGP ch 3 • WWM Evangelia 1&2 • ClotY Gospel 2 - Matthew
The need to belong	The need to belong	Jesus	Jesus
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Human need of relationships • People's search for God • Scripture Reflection • Different faiths and core beliefs • Creed – what do we believe? • Closing Prayer 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Come & See 12-15 Step 3 Notes & Resources Additional • Catholic Enquiry session 2 • Come & See Book Fr Elio Capra p48-51 - World Religions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jesus and his friends • Growing in friendship with Jesus • Encounter with Jesus - video • Gospel reveals who Jesus is • The call to discipleship • Scripture and Prayer 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Crossroads 13-16's Catechist Notes 3 Additional • AHWGP ch 5&6 • Call & Response ch 14 • WWM Kerygma 2 • ClotY Gospel 9 - Matthew
A People not a building	A People not a building	Sacraments of Initiation - 1	Sacraments of Initiation - 1
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is Church • Becoming the People of God • Getting in touch with God • Becoming one in Christ • Scripture and Prayer 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Come & See 12-15 Step 4 Notes & Resources Additional • Catholic Enquiry session 2 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What are Sacraments • Celebrating life and faith • Baptism purpose & symbols • Confirmation – the power of the Holy Spirit and symbols • Insights into the Holy Spirit • Scripture and Prayer 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Crossroads 13-16's Catechist Notes 4 Additional • AHWGP ch 12 • Call & Response ch 12,15,18,19 • WWM Leitourgia 1
Growing into Faith	Growing into Faith	Sacraments of Initiation - 2	Sacraments of Initiation - 2
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Being a Christian what does it mean? • Statements I can accept and believe about God and Jesus • Preparation for the Rite of Acceptance & Welcome • Scripture and Prayer 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Crossroads 13-16's Catechist Notes3 • Come & See 12-15 Step 5 Notes & Resources Additional • RCIA # 250-251 & 252-266 The Rite of Acceptance & Welcome 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gathered at the altar • Eucharistic Prayer – video • Jesus instructions at the Last Supper • Sacraments of Initiation activity • Scripture and Prayer 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Crossroads 13-16's Catechist Notes 5 Additional • AHWGP ch 13 • Catholic Enquiry 9 • Call & Response ch 21 • WWM Leitourgia 2

Framework for rClyp – Young Teens, 12-15 years

GROWING IN FAITH - More Steps

PRAYER & DISCERNMENT Steps

Continuing through the 'Catechumenate' phase the young people learn more about how to live, as Jesus teaches.		Prayer and Discernment are central to the whole process, but a major focus during the 'Purification' Stage of the journey.	
Young Teens	Resources	Young Teens	Resources
The Mass	The Mass	Sin and Forgiveness	Sin and Forgiveness
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gathering for what? • Why Sunday Mass - video • Strengthen by Communion • The parts of the Mass • Scripture and Prayer 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Crossroads 13-16's Catechist Notes 6 Additional • AHWGP ch 13 & 14 • Call & Response ch 21 & 22 • Chosen Session 15 videos 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The power of Sin • Reconciling relationships: with others, God, community • Sacraments of Healing • Scripture and Prayer 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Come & See 12-15 Step 1 Notes & Resources • Crossroads Reconciliation • AHWGP ch 15 • Call & Response ch 23 & 24 • RCIA #75,14, 106,107, 279
Prayer	Prayer	Preparing for the Scrutiny	Preparing for the Scrutiny
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is Prayer • Different types of Prayer • Why Pray / The Power of Prayer - video clips • Examen & The Lords Prayer • Scripture and Prayer 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Crossroads 13-16's Catechist Notes 7 Additional • AHWGP ch 2 • Catholic Enquiry 8 • Call & Response ch 13&29 • WWM Leitourgia 6 • ClotY Lectio Divina Prayer 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Liturgy of the Word and Dismissal from Sunday Mass • Response to Readings • The season of Lent • Deeper reflection on 1st Sun of Lent Yr A Gospel Mt 4:1-11 & • Scrutiny Preparation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Crossroads 13-16's Catechist Notes 1 Additional • Call & Response ch 23 & 24 • RCIA #128-133 Scrutiny • https://youtu.be/lfpZTFRWRzQ Mt 4:1-11 - reflection • https://youtu.be/vLh7CvJSI9s
Mary and the Saints	Mary and the Saints	The Penitential Rite (Scrutiny)	The Penitential Rite (Scrutiny)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mary the Mother of God • Mary MacKillop - video • Saints of God - qualities • Saints in the making - us • Scripture and Prayer 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Crossroads 13-16's Catechist Notes 8 Additional • AHWGP ch 9 • Call & Response ch 4 • WWM Koinonia 4 Mary • WWM Kerygma 4 St Patrick 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Liturgy of the Word, Scrutiny and Dismissal • Response to Readings • Deeper reflection on 3rd Sun of Lent Yr A Gospel Jn 4:5-42, the Woman at the Well • The meaning of faith 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Crossroads 13-16's Catechist Notes 2 Additional • RCIA # 271-278 • Youth Bible – Jn 4:5-42 Woman at the well 4.51m • https://youtu.be/72U2fzaxpyU • Call & Response ch35
The Christian Life	The Christian Life	Presentation of the Creed	Presentation of the Creed
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What being a Christian means • Characteristics of Christian life – Scripture exploration • Pope Francis invitation • Choices - video • Living Life to the Full • Scripture and Prayer 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Crossroads 13-16's Catechist Notes 9 Additional • AHWGP ch 10 • Call & Response ch 27 • WWM Koinonia 2&3 • WWM Diakonia 1 & 2 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Liturgy of the Word, Presentation of the Creed & Dismissal at Mass • Response to Readings • The Creed, unpacking the Treasures of our faith • Reflection, Prayer and song 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Crossroads 13-16's Catechist Notes 3 Additional • Call & Response ch 11 & 12 • RCIA #144-150 • Youth Bible – Mtt 28:19-21 & Mtt 16:13-18 • OCI Perth Creed scroll
Mission	Mission	Presenting the Lord's Prayer	Presenting the Lord's Prayer
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Baptism – the call to Mission • Joe Grogan / Pope Francis • Circles of Influence & Catholic Social Teaching • The Rite of Election • Scripture and Prayer • Preparation for the Rites 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Crossroads 13-16's Catechist Notes 10 Additional • AHWGP ch 19 • Call & Response ch 30-32 • WWM Diakonia 3 • RCIA # 105 – 124 Rite of Election 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Liturgy of the Word, Presentation of the Our Father and Dismissal from Sunday Mass • Response to Readings • Exploring the Lord's Prayer Journal Activity and Prayer 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Crossroads 13-16's Catechist Notes 4 Additional • RCIA #165-171 • Lk 11:1-4 The Lord's Prayer • OCI Perth Our Father scroll • OCI Perth Aboriginal Our Father

Framework for rClyp – Young Teens, 12-15 years

PRAYER & DISCERNMENT - More Steps

LIVING the FAITH Steps RCIA# 234-241,306

Appreciating the need to constantly turn back to God, to own the statements contained in the creed and call to live by the Lord's Prayer are central to this time of spiritual growth.		Having been welcomed into the Church the young people deepen their understanding of how to live the faith. Learning from the experiences of the disciples they discover their role in God's plan.	
Young Teens	Resources	Young Teens	Resources
Preparation for Initiation	Preparation for Initiation	Resurrection - new life & hope	Resurrection - new life & hope
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Liturgy of the Word, Dismissal from (Palm?) Sunday Mass Explain the reason for the 3 Gospels and the Palms Response to Readings Journal Activity and Prayer Overview of the Easter Vigil or Mass of Reception (with leaflets) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Crossroads 13-16's Catechist Notes 5 Come & See 12-15 Step 6 Notes & Resources Additional RCIA #285 Youth Bible – Palm Sunday A - Mt 21:1-11, B – Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16, C – Lk 19:28-40 A - Mt 27:11-54 B – Mk 14:15-47 or Jn 12:12-16, C – Lk 22:14-23: 56 Video: Cartoon style: https://youtu.be/TiJkGbkmuL0 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stories & Lives entwined through the Sacraments Resurrection: new life, new hope Meeting Jesus: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Behind closed doors - On the beach - On the road Our experience mirroring that of the disciples 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Come & See 12--15 LtheF 1 Additional RCIA # 234-241, 306 Crossroads 13-16 Catechist Notes 1 WWM Kerygma 5 Youth Bible – Lk 24:1-12, Jn 20:19-31, Jn21:1-19, Lk 24:35-48
Ephphatha Rite and Rehearsal	Ephphatha Rite and Rehearsal	Returned to the Father	Returned to the Father
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Arrange for a time to celebrate Ephphatha Rite & Anointing for those not baptised. (<i>all group to attend</i>) 'Walk through' reception of the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Come & See 12-15 Step 6 Notes & Resources Additional RCIA #184-197 Ephphatha Gospel: Mark 7:31-37 RCIA #285-305 Initiation Missal: Easter Vigil 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Obedience and Trust The Command and Mission The Power of Forgiveness The Ascension Growing in holiness Prayerful Reflection 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Come & See 12-15 LtheF 2 Additional WWM Kerygma 3 Youth Bible – Mt28:16-20
<p>These final steps of the journey inspire the young people to recognise ways they can make a difference in the world.</p> <p>Reflecting on and celebrating reaching this milestone is a perfect way to complete phase of the journey to faith</p>			
The Power of the Holy Spirit	The Power of the Holy Spirit	Continuing God's Creation	Continuing God's Creation
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Waiting Pentecost The Power of the Holy Spirit Recognition and Celebration of gifts Prayerful Reflection 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Come & See 12-15 LtheF 3 Additional WWM Koinonia 1 & 2 CloY Gospel 10 The Spirit Youth Bible – Acts1 6-11& 2:1-11 1 Cor 12:4-11 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In the beginning Harmony in relationships Care of the Planet Action Plan 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Come & See 12-15 LtheF 5 Additional WWM Diakonia 6 C&R ch 31 & 32 Youth Bible Review Sheet
Missionary Discipleship	Missionary Discipleship	Commissioning and Celebrating	Commissioning and Celebrating
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Three into One Discipleship The 3-fold Mission of Jesus Living as a Missionary Disciple Prayerful Reflection 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Come & See 9-12 LtheF 4 Additional Crossroads 13-16 Catechist Notes 2 WWM Diakonia 3 & 5 CloY Gospel 9 Youth Bible Jn14:15-21 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review: reflecting on the journey and the next steps Commissioning Celebrations Meal 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Come & See 12-15 LtheF 6 Additional RCIA # 239

Framework for rClyp – Young Teens, 12-15 years

Making the most of this rClyp Framework and the Come and See Resources

This rClyp Framework and accompanying materials are designed for use with groups.

They are comprehensive and offer plenty of opportunities for flexibility or adaptation.

Each of the four stages of the rClyp process are necessary. Though presented sequentially, not every step may be required, used in the order given. The length of the process, and how the materials are used will vary, according to the needs and circumstances of each group.

Inquiry Stage - Materials for the 12 -15 age group are largely the ***Crossroads*** sessions produced by the *Diocese of Brisbane*. 40 minute sessions, designed for use in school at the start or end of the day. The ***Come and See, Archdiocese of Perth***, Inquiry steps have additional materials to facilitate a longer session, with interactive tasks.

The ***Come and See*** Inquiry steps are designed to help Catechists assess the level of faith experience within the group. The review at the end of the Inquiry steps will be helpful in discerning how best to proceed through the next stages of the journey and which steps or materials might best suit the needs of the individuals and group as a whole.

Stages 2 and 3 - Both the Catechumenate, *Growing in Faith*, and Purification, *Prayer and Discernment* stages are essential to the rClyp process, regardless of the number of sessions taking place. The later, especially if outside of the Lenten period, could be organised as one long or two shorter retreat days, or even a weekend away. A number of additional ***Come and See*** resources have also been added to supplement the ***Crossroads*** materials for both stages.

Post-initiation - It is most important for the group to reconvene following reception of the Sacraments of Initiation. Though the climax of the journey, reception of the sacraments is not the end point. The final Mystagogy, *Living the Faith*, stage of the rClyp process helps the young people feel truly part of the family of the Church. They need guidance as they settle into their role as Missionary Disciples. Resources for this final stage include two ***Crossroads*** sessions plus six ***Come and See*** steps, incorporating the post Resurrection experiences of the disciples. As the disciples of Jesus today, we are called to continue the work entrusted to the first disciples. The rClyp journey concludes with a review, and a commissioning - preferably at a parish Sunday Mass. A final celebration at which to enjoy companionship and food is the perfect final step.

The ***Crossroads*** and ***Come and See*** Resources can both be used independently, or aspects of the two combined. Other resources mentioned are offered as a back up for catechists.

Accessing the Resources:

Come and See Samples of resources for each age group are available on the OCI website: www.initiation.perthcatholic.org.au

A flash-driving containing the full set of resources is available to WA parishes, schools and groups at a cost of \$15 (while stocks last) and to other agencies or diocese, for \$25.

Crossroads materials can also be accessed via Brisbane website: www.crossroadrcia.org.au

Additional Resources:

A brief outline of the additional resources mentioned in the framework can be found overleaf. More detailed information for some resources can be found on the ***Come and See*** flash drive. Also included are the ***Chosen*** materials for a service of reconciliation and a retreat weekend.

Valuable Resources

The **Come and See** rClyp Resource incorporates materials from a range of sources. The main ones are listed below, along with links to free online resources. All have in common, the aim of initiation, which is conversion of the heart and love of God. Further details of the Key resources and content they cover can be found in the appendices.

Key Resources

- **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults**
St Paul's Publications N.S.W.
The 'go to' book for Christian Initiation.
- **Come and See - OCI Perth 9-18 years**
The Inquiry phase incorporates the wisdom from Fr Elio's book and local young adults. All stages have content and activities to engage and inspire those exploring the Catholic faith.
- **Crossroads 9-12 and 13-15 Years**
Archdiocese of Brisbane
rCIA principals adapted for two different age groups. Sessions invite young people to embark on a journey of faith by developing a relationship with Christ.
- **Chosen – This is your Catholic Faith**
Ascension Press, USA
A program designed to help young people discover the richness and diversity of the Catholic Faith, and so become life-long disciples. Lots of video input and activities.
- **The Christian Initiation of the Young**
Fr Elio Capra SDB, Melbourne
A resource offering four different models for rCI with children and resources for Lectionary based Catechesis using 10 key Gospel themes.
- **At Home with God's People**
Evangelisation Brisbane QL.
A popular resource for RCIA Catechists, and anyone theology, traditions; ways of being and of praying within the Catholic tradition.
- **Walk with Me**
Diocese of Sale, Melbourne
Designed for use in High Schools, the resource has lots of materials for 30 detailed sessions with sound background information, activities and video clips.

Office of Christian Initiation

initiation.perthcatholic.org.au

- Brochure - *Thinking About Becoming Catholic*
- Sponsor information and brochure
- Parish Resources
- Rite of Acceptance and Rite of Welcome pro-forma
- Lent Scrutiny Retreats
- Rite of Election
- Living Discipleship – *after initiation*

Catholic Archdiocese of Perth

www.perthcatholic.org.au

- Find Mass, by suburb
- Archbishop's Homilies
- All Catholic Agencies information

The Summit Journal – FREE ONLINE Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne

www.cam.org.au/evangelisation/Summit

- Catechumenate journey
- Gospel reflections
- Children's Liturgy

Catholic Enquiry Centre Resources:

catholicenquiry.com/resources-mainmenu-18/the-catholic-story **Free Online**

- 18 Brochures on Catholic tenets of faith
Though rather dated, they are in a user-friendly format and contain valuable information and insights for Enquirers.
- **Call and Response** – an introduction to the Catholic Faith. Easy to read lots of valuable information. Available from the Catholic Enquiry Centre:
www.catholicenquiry.com