



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 welcomed into the Church.

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



The Invitation to **Come & 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 result.

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)
- The framework provides Catechists and young accompaniers with a range of resources to use during each of the four stages of the initiation journey.
 - The content elements are similar for all age groups.
 - Materials and activities are age appropriate, but some can be used across the age groups, tailored to the needs and maturity of the young people.

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. This can be done in a variety of ways, involving different people, events and experiences.

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)

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

LEARNING/DEEPENING UNDERSTANDING OF 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

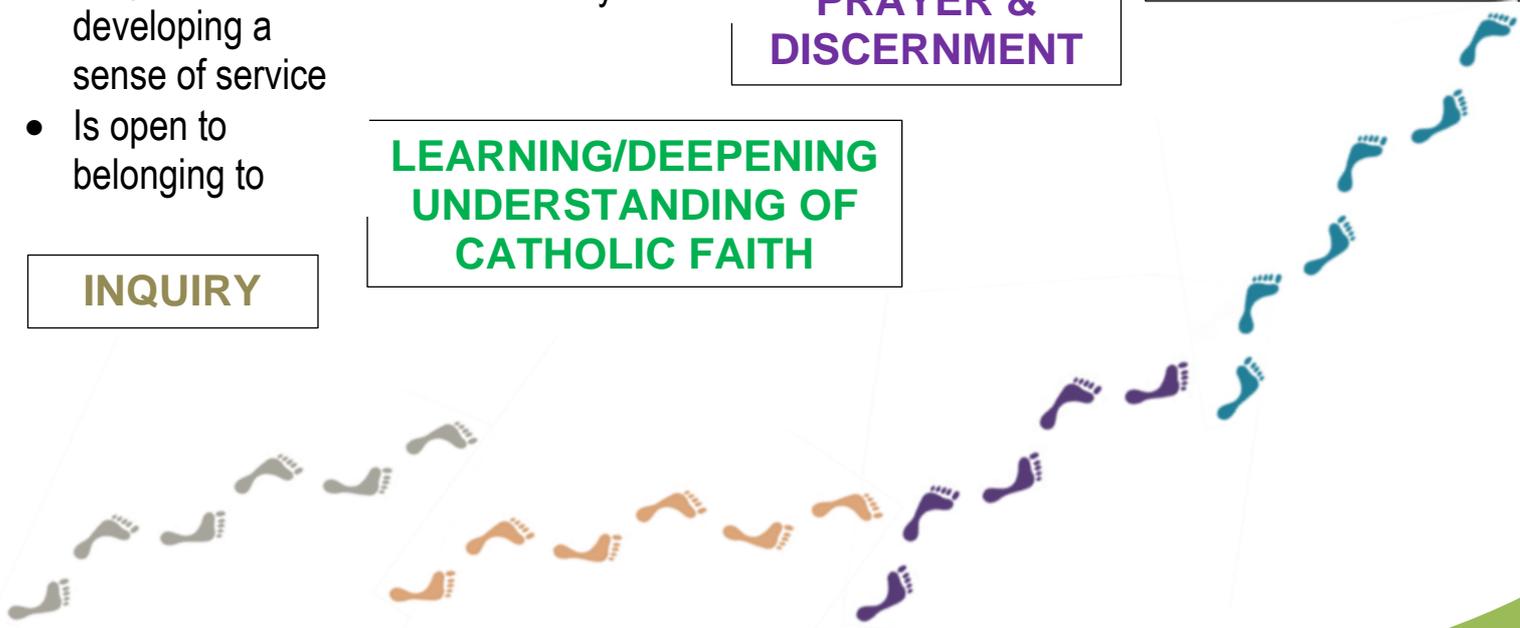
SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION

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

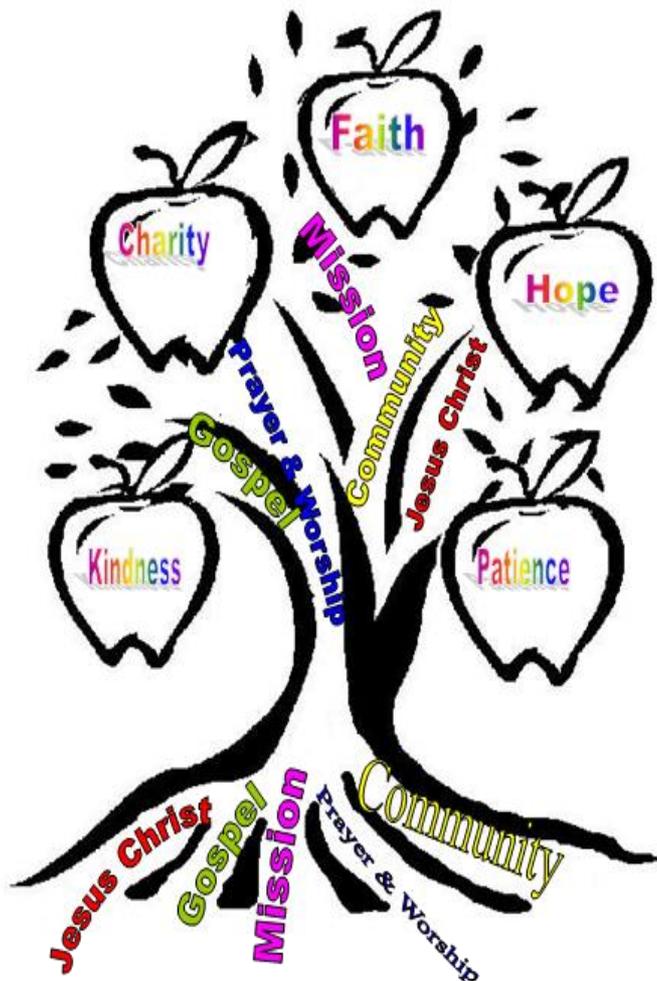
LIVING DISCIPLESHIP



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**: unpacks 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 & 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 & 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

Come and See 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 disciples.

Framework for rClyp – Young Adolescents, 15-18 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.	
Older Teens	Resources	Older Teens	Resources
Come and See	Come and See	God the Source of happiness	God the Source of happiness
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Our Story meets God • What have I come to see? • Reflection & Discernment • Core Christian beliefs • Scripture and Prayer 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Come and See Inquiry 1 Additional • Bible, Prayer focus items • Come and See Book Fr Elio Capra 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Chosen resource • What are you looking for? • The God who seeks us • The God we recognise • Living as followers of Jesus • Scripture and Prayer 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Come and See GinF Step 1 Additional • AHWGP ch 1 • Call and Response ch 1 • ClotY Gospel 2 Conversion
What we Believe	What we Believe	The God Story	The God Story
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Bible • Its structure and importance • Bible stories and characters • Who is Jesus? • Prayerful reflection 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Come and See Inquiry 2 Additional • Come and See Book Fr Elio Capra p48-51 • Bible, Prayer focus items • Catholic Enquiry 1,3,8 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Back to the beginning: • Jesus on a rescue mission • Revelation through the person of Jesus, Scripture and Tradition • Scripture and Prayer 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Come and See GinF Step 2 Additional • Chosen Sessions 3, 4 • AHWGP ch 5, 6 • Catholic Enquiry 3 • Call and Response ch 6, 14
How we Live	How we Live	Jesus – person and mission	Jesus – person and mission
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Called to be God's people • Peter the Fisherman • Christ the Cornerstone • Being a Catholic today – challenges and opportunities • Reflection and Prayer 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Come and See Inquiry 3 Additional • Bible, Prayer focus items • Come and See Book Fr Elio Capra • Catholic Enquiry 2, 6 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Who do you say I am? • The historical Jesus • God Incarnate • Mission and Ministry • Scripture and Prayer 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Come and See GinF Step 3 Additional • Chosen Session 5 • AHWGP ch 5, 6 • Call and Response ch11,14 • ClotY Gospel 9 Mission, Luke & Mark
How we Pray and Worship	How we Pray and Worship	The Church founded by Jesus	The Church founded by Jesus
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is prayer • Different kinds of prayer • Jesus and Prayer • Prayer Pilgrimage in Church 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Come and See Inquiry 4 Additional • Bible, Prayer focus items • Come and See Book Fr Elio Capra • Catholic Enquiry 2, 8 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The early church • A catholic, apostolic church • How is the Church holy? • The authority of Peter continues • Scripture and Prayer 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Come and See GinF Step 4 Additional • Chosen Session 6 • AHWGP ch7, 8 • Catholic Enquiry 2, 4 • Call and Response ch 7
How we Serve others	How we Serve others	Prayer - Getting to Know God	Prayer – Getting to Know God
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ministry – what is it? • The ministry of Jesus • We are one body • People who inspire • Affirmation of Gifts • Prayer 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Come and See Inquiry 5 Additional • Bible, Prayer focus items • Come and See Book Fr Elio • Catholic Enquiry 2, 5 • RCIA # 252-266 / #41-47 Rite of Acceptance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is prayer? • Communicating with God • Guidance from Jesus • Ways the Church prays • What happens when I pray? • Veneration of the Cross 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Come and See GinF Step 5 Additional • Chosen Session 18 • AHWGP ch2 • Call and Response ch28, 29 • ClotY Lectio Divina Gospel 7 Prayer
Discernment and Preparation	Discernment and Preparation		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review & Choices re next steps • Rite of Acceptance and Welcome 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Come and See Inquiry 6 and resources • RCIA # 252-266 / #41-47 		

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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.	
Older Teens	Resources	Older Teens	Resources
The Sacraments	The Sacraments	Sin and Forgiveness	Sin and Forgiveness
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Sacraments Living a Sacramental Life Sacraments of Initiation Baptism and Conversion Scripture and Prayer 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Come and See GinF Step 6 Additional Chosen Session 8 & videos AHWGP ch 11,12 Catholic Enquiry session 9 Call and Response ch 27 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The power of Sin The Power of the Sacrament of Reconciliation God helps when it hurts – Anointing of the Sick Scripture and Prayer 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Come and See Pr&D Step 1 Additional Chosen Session 10 AHWGP ch 15 Call & Response ch 23, 24 RCIA #75, 142, 106,107, 279
The Power of the Spirit	The Power of the Spirit	Prayerful Discernment	Prayerful Discernment
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Third person of the Trinity The Spirit at work in our lives The Gifts of the Holy Spirit Called, Chosen, Confirmed Scripture and Prayer 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Come and See GinF Step 7 Additional Chosen Session 12,13 AHWGP ch 6 Call & Response ch 12,15 ClotY Lectio Divina Spirit Amazing Grace - alternative 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Liturgy of the Word and Dismissal from Sunday Mass Response to Readings Prayerful Discernment Deeper reflection on Lent 1 Yr A Gospel Mt 4:1-11 Making Choices 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Come and See Pr&D Step 2 Additional Call and Response ch 5 RCIA #128-133 Scrutiny Youth Bible – Mt 4:1-11 Jesus is Tempted - 3.16min https://youtu.be/ixfYkAHjAqM
The Eucharist	The Eucharist	Steps to Discipleship (Scrutiny)	The Penitential Rite (Scrutiny)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gathering to give thanks We remember and commit In communion with God and the Church Sent to live out the Gospel Scripture and Prayer 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Come and See GinF Step 8 Additional Chosen Session 15, videos AHWGP ch 13,14 ClotY Gospel 5, 1 – Luke Call and Response ch20-22 https://youtu.be/drnuGBwLkzo Jesus, the Road to Emmaus 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Liturgy of the Word, Scrutiny and Dismissal from Mass Response to Readings Deeper reflection on 3rd Sun of Lent Yr A Gospel Jn 4:5-42, the Woman at the Well Five disciplines of a disciple The Examen 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Come and See Pr&D Step 3 Additional RCIA 140-plus 141B prayer Youth Bible Jn 4:5-42 Woman at the well videos https://youtu.be/sma4o3mCPwA or https://youtu.be/Q49BbfgJbto modern day monologue 2.37m
Beatitudes - living our faith	Beatitudes - living our faith	Presentation of the Creed	Presentation of the Creed
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The crowd experience The Beatitudes of Jesus 8 Steps to Happiness Beatitudes in Action The challenge to change Scripture and Prayer?? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Come and See GinF Step 9 Additional Chosen Sessions, 20 AHWGP ch 20, 23 Call and Response ch30-32 Video –God loves you https://youtu.be/Uz5j3W1DM8A 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Liturgy of the Word, Presentation of the Creed and Dismissal from Response to Readings The Creed, unpacking the Treasures of our faith Reflection, Prayer and Song 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Come and See Pr&D Step 4 Additional Call and Response ch11,12 RCIA #144-150 Youth Bible – John 9:1-38 The man born blind, John 22:44-50 Light of the World
Living our Baptism	Living our Baptism	Presenting the Lord's Prayer	Presenting the Lord's Prayer
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Life choices – my response to the gift of Baptism Sacraments of Service: Living our Vocation Scripture and Prayer Preparation for Rites of Election and Dismissal 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Come and See GinF 10 Additional Chosen Session 21-23 AHWGP ch 7,19 Call and Response ch 29 RCIA # 105 – 124 Video Love chooses you 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Liturgy of the Word, Presentation of Our Father and Dismissal from Mass Response to Readings Deepening understanding of the Lord's Prayer Reflection, Prayer and Song 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Come and See Pr&D Step 5 Additional RCIA #165-171 Youth Bible: Lk 11:1-4 The Lord's Prayer Aboriginal Our Father

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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.	
Older Teens	Resources	Older Teens	Resources
Preparation for Initiation	Preparation for Initiation	Resurrection - life and hope	Resurrection - life and 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 Reflection, Prayer and Song Overview of the Easter Vigil or Mass of Reception (with leaflets) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Come and See Pr&D Step 6 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: Son of God https://youtu.be/h9UN7lpxrNM 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stories and lives entwined through the Sacraments New life brings new hope Close encounters with the risen Lord. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>In the Garden</i> - <i>Behind closed doors</i> - <i>At the table</i> Our personal responses Growing in holiness - Prayer 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Come and See LtheF 1 Additional RCIA # 234-241, 306 AHWGP ch 2 Prayer WWM Kerygma 5 Youth Bible - Mtt 28_1-10, Jn 20-19-31, Jn21:1-19, Lk 24:13-35
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 and See Pr&D Step 6 Additional RCIA #184-197 Ephphatha Gospel: Mtt 16:13-17 RCIA #285-305 / 211-233 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 Prayer reflection 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Come and See LtheF 2 Additional AHWGP ch 7, 10 Youth Bible - Lk 24:44-49 or Acts 1:6-11
<p>These final steps of the journey inspire the young people to recognise ways they can make a difference in the world, and to commit to some practical means of allowing them to put their faith into action, however simply.</p> <p>Reflecting on and celebrating reaching this milestone is a perfect way to complete phase of the journey to faith</p>			
Older Teens	Resources	Older Teens	Resources
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 Spirit Recognition of gifts Gifts of the Holy Spirit Becoming a miracle worker Prayerful reflection 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Come and See LtheF 3 Additional AHWGP - Ch 6 Birth of the Church Call and Response ch12,15 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 self Care of the Planet Action Plan <p>** Alternate Step 5 content is also available in resources</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Come and See LtheF 5 Additional Discipleship 5 15-18's OCI Perth AHWGP ch 23-24 Call and Response ch31-35 Youth Bible – Genesis Review Sheet
Missionary Discipleship	Missionary Discipleship	Commissioning and Celebrating	Commissioning and Celebrating
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Missionary Discipleship Jesus' three-fold Mission Living the Mission today Prayerful reflection 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Come and See LtheF 4 Additional AHWGP ch 19 Call and Response ch 9,10 Youth Bible - Heb 1:1-3, Jn14:1-31, 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review Commissioning Celebration Meal 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Come and See LtheF 6 Additional RCIA # 239

Framework for rClyp – Young Adolescents, 15-18 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 both comprehensive and flexible, most are also suitable for use with adults.

Each of the four stages of the rClyp process are necessary. Though the steps are presented sequentially, not all may need to be used. The length of the process, number of steps and order in which they are used will vary, according to the needs and circumstances of each group.

Come and See: Most of the rClyp materials for the 15 -18 age group come under the umbrella of the **Come and See resource** produced through the Perth Office of Christian Initiation. Drawn from a wealth of reliable sources the materials are designed to facilitate exploration, reflection and conversation that will open minds and hearts to the Spirit of God within them, to the Word of God in the scriptures and to the presence of God around them. A number of the video clips interspersed throughout **Come and See** are from **Chosen**; a faith development resource produced by Ascension Press in the USA.

Inquiry Stage: Stage one is the invitation to **Come and See**. The materials draw heavily on the work of Fr Elio Capra SDB, in his book of the same name. Fr Elio is renowned across Australia and beyond for his work in Faith Development, in particular the rCI.

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 will be best suited to the needs of the individuals and group as a whole.

Stages 2 & 3: Combined, the Growing in Faith, Prayer and Discernment stages make up the core of the rClyp process, the meat and the relish in the sandwich, so to speak. Aspects of both are essential to the process, even if every step is not being used. The later steps, especially if outside of the Lenten period, could be beneficially organised as one long or two shorter retreat days, or even a weekend away. For both stages there are a wealth of materials for each step, including some optional prayers and activities.

Post-initiation: It is of the greatest importance that the group reconvene after the reception of the Sacraments of Initiation. Yes, this is the climax of the journey, but is certainly not, and must not be allowed to become, the end point. The post-initiation, Mystagogia, stage is the time to help the young people truly feel part of the family of the Church, settling into their role as Missionary Disciples. The six **Come and See** steps incorporate the post Resurrection experiences of the disciples, whose work we, Jesus disciples today, are called to continue. Even if this period of catechesis is not happening during the Easter season, these materials are still appropriate for use. The rClyp journey concludes with a review, a commissioning, preferably at a parish Sunday Mass, and a celebration.

The review has two purposes. Firstly to engage the group members in reflection what will help them acknowledge the highs and lows of their journey, and identify help they might need to continue their apprenticeship as missionary disciples. Secondly, the review will provide valuable feedback for the Catechists on ways to improve the rClyp process.

Accessing the Resources:

Come and See – via the OCI website: www.initiation.perthcatholic.org.au

Chosen – the full set of materials costs \$300 and can be ordered through Rich Harvest Bookshop. The Perth OCI also has two sets which can be borrowed to view and trialed by parish catechists.

Additional Resources:

A brief outline of additional resources mentioned in the framework can be found overleaf. Detailed information about the **Come and See, Crossroads, Chosen and Walk With Me** resources can be located in the **Appendices** which accompany this document.

Key rClyp 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 & 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 & 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.
- **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.
- **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.

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 – *post 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