# DISCERNMENT IN CHRISTIAN INITIATION



An Intensive Workshop for Experienced Initiation Ministers

### WORKSHOP DESCRIPTION

The *Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults* invites several moments of discernment as those contemplating a major step attempt to discover the direction to take. Beneath the liturgical celebrations of embracing Catholicism, catechumens and candidates, adults and children, wrestle with personal questions:

Is God truly calling me?

Am I called to join this community?

What in my attitude and behaviors is holy, and what needs to change?

How am I being invited to let go and open myself to God's love?

In this workshop, participants will come to a better understanding of the process of discernment, how it is experienced, and how it facilitates conversion. Together, we will consider listening skills and learn more about the right questions to be asked at the right time. During the day, the presenters will give concrete suggestions for interviews during the four stages of the catechumenate, and offer a format for a discernment day before the Rite of Election.



#### **REGISTER EARLY - SPACE IS LIMITED!**

## Thursday, December 5, 2019 10:00am – 4:00pm

Pre-requisite: You should have attended either the three-day RCIA training event at the 2018 Santa Clara Faith Formation Conference, LTP's online course, *The Essentials of Christian Initiation\**, or possess the equivalent competency. If you have questions, please email training@LTP.org.

\*This online course is being offered in Fall 2019, on Monday evenings, Sept. 23-Oct. 28. Visit www.TEOCI.org for more information.

This intensive workshop will be taking place in conjunction with the California Catholic Ministry Conference (CACMC). The cost for this workshop is \$125. This includes Thursday lunch and all Friday and Saturday workshops at no additional cost.

For registration and brochure visit the website:

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For hotel information: https://cacmc.net/travel-stay/

#### **PRESENTERS**



**Donna Steffen, SC,** is a spiritual director and educator in Cincinnati. She has been a consultant for Christian initiation at parish, diocesan, national, and international levels. Donna served as team member of the North American Forum on the Catechumenate and is the author of *Discernment in Christian Initiation* (LTP, 2018).



**Michael Ruzicki** is the training and events manager at Liturgy Training Publications and is the author of *Guide for Training Initiation Ministers: An Introduction to the RCIA* (LTP, 2018) and serves as the director of music at Notre Dame de Chicago Parish. Michael was also a team member of the North American Forum on the Catechumenate.





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