BAPTISM FOR ADULTS – COLLEGE AGE AND OLDER

Baptism for adults is celebrated at the Easter Vigil liturgy, the evening before Easter Sunday. These adults receive also their First Eucharist and Confirmation at that same liturgy. Preparation takes place through the RCIA process (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults).

SACRAMENT OF THE FIRST HOLY COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION FOR ADULTS – COLLEGE AGE AND OLDER

Following a suitable period of catechesis, depending on the age and circumstances, First Eucharist and Confirmation will be administered at the same time during Easter Vigil liturgy or other suitable time.

Preparation takes place through the <u>RCIA process (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)</u>.

IF YOU WERE BAPTIZED IN ANOTHER CHRISTIAN FAITH AND WISH TO JOIN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

If an adult or child has been baptized in another Christian faith, many times that Baptism is recognized as valid by the Catholic Church. If the Christian baptism is recognized, the adult or child enters the Catholic Church by making a Profession of Faith. Following a suitable period of catechesis, an appropriate time is discerned for the individual to come before the community and profess belief in what our Church believes, teaches, and holds as true. Depending on the age and circumstances, First Eucharist and Confirmation may also be administered at the same time.

If the Christian baptism is not recognized by the Catholic Church, the adult or child would go through the process for Baptism specific to their age group. Baptism for adults is celebrated at the Easter Vigil liturgy the evening before Easter Sunday. These adults receive their First Eucharist and Confirmation at that same liturgy. Preparation takes place through the <u>RCIA process (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)</u>.

To make arrangements for the Baptism of an adult and for more information on the **RCIA process**, contact Anna Harmata PA/CRE Tel 773 685 3785 or email aharmata@archchicago.org