



National Gathering on Christian Initiation®

A Conference for Catechumenal Ministers and Pastoral Leaders

Evangelization and the OCIA

July 31–August 1, 2024 • Chicago, IL

Join us for the 2024 National Gathering on Christian Initiation® as we rediscover the evangelizing power of the baptismal catechumenate. Together we will consider how liturgy, catechesis, and the parish community all serve as agents of evangelization. We will explore the distinctive evangelizing tasks of each period of the OCIA and discover strategies that will foster a culture of evangelization across the entire parish!

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Registration Information

Registration includes lunch for July 31 and August 1.

General Registration by June 17	\$275
Group Rate, per person when groups of 4+ register between February 27 and June 17	\$250
Late Registration by July 12	\$300
July 30 beer and wine social <i>Optional event. Pre-registration required.</i>	FREE

SCHEDULE

DAY ONE | JULY 31, 2024

9:00 AM	9:30 AM	Welcome, Introductions, Prayer
9:30 AM	10:15 AM	Evangelization 101: A Common Understanding
10:15 AM	10:30 AM	Break
10:30 AM	11:45 AM	Evangelizing the Evangelizers: A Community-Based Approach
11:45 AM	12:15 PM	Discussion
12:15 PM	1:15 PM	Lunch
1:15 PM	2:30 PM	Exercise: Encountering Christ in Catechesis
2:30 PM	3:00 PM	Coffee Break
3:00 PM	4:15 PM	Exercise: The Evangelizing Power of Liturgy
4:15 PM	4:30 PM	Break
4:30 PM	5:45 PM	Exercise: Apostolic Witness in the Life of the Parish
5:45 PM	6:00 PM	Conclusion of Day One

DAY TWO | AUGUST 1, 2024

8:30 AM	9:30 AM	Ritual Celebration
9:30 AM	9:45 AM	Break
9:45 AM	10:30 AM	Purification and Enlightenment: The Evangelizing Nature of the Paschal Mystery
10:30 AM	11:15 AM	Mystagogy and the Good News
11:15 AM	11:45 AM	Discussion
11:45 AM	12:45 PM	Lunch
12:45 PM	2:00 PM	Precatechumenate and Evangelization: The First and Never-Ending Period
2:00 PM	2:45 PM	Next Steps: Returning Home with Tangible Plans
2:45 PM	3:00 PM	Conclusion

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