

Here are several testimonies of those who have previously participated in RCIA.

Love. Growth. Peace. Grace

These things were given to me by everyone involved with RCIA at St. Pius X. And I can never say THANK YOU enough for the privilege of being able to participate.

The RCIA program gave me much more than I bargained for. I knew I was ready to explore becoming Catholic - but I didn't really know what that *meant*. I had been going to mass for years with my husband and kids (who were all already Catholic) - but the services were mostly lost on me. I also thought that I knew how to pray - but as I moved through RCIA I was humbled to realize that I didn't know how to have a meaningful relationship with God. What I learned through RCIA changed my fundamental idea of who I want to be and how I want to live in connection with God and his children.

At the Easter Vigil when Father Jim prayed over me with his hands pressed to my head, I felt utterly and completely filled with peace and love. I revisit that feeling when I need to and I know that it is one of many great gifts God has given me.

Going through RCIA at St. Pius and becoming Catholic was an amazing opportunity for me. It's rare to be a part of something that is so good and pure. The RCIA team members wanted nothing more than to share a wonderful love of God and Christ with other people. What else could be better?

Peace be with you.

Jenny Bowles

Like many others, I was first introduced to the Catholic faith through the Catholic school system. I began working at the parish as well. It was through this experience that I met many families who actually lived their Christian faith. It was their depth of faith that eventually led me to join RCIA. Through RCIA, I met many people who were also being drawn into a deeper relationship with Christ. During RCIA, I was encouraged to explore the Catholic faith and all its mysteries. My questions were answered and I was confirmed at the Easter Vigil. I encourage everyone who has questions or is contemplating joining the church, to attend RCIA. It was truly an amazing experience.

Devon Allison

I became interested in the Catholic Church through a friend who later became my wife. I knew that I wanted to worship together in the same church. We went to Mass together and I met with Fr. Jim a couple times to ask questions. He told me about the RCIA program and invited me to go see what I thought about it. I went and decided to make the commitment to the process. Each person there was welcoming and caring. We were all learning about the Faith together. The Easter Vigil was the highlight of the experience. My wife and I have joined St. Pius Parish and plan to be involved in some way in the RCIA program. I am especially grateful to Fr. Jim and Bev for being so welcoming.

Mike Mundy