



RCIA - SYMBOLON

“The sacraments are efficacious signs of grace, instituted by Christ and entrusted to the Church, by which divine life is dispensed to us.” (Catechism of the Catholic Church #1131)

Available in English and Spanish

RCIA

- The 20 sessions of SYMBOLON were designed for the period of the catechumenate.

Large Group Presentation

- Pick the time and location for a 5-week or 10-week study
- Use the promotional materials for SYMBOLON found at <https://leaders.formed.org/individual-studies/>
- Provide drinks and a light snack (for men’s morning program provide coffee and a continental breakfast)
- Break into small group discussions after the video
- Order full color guides for each participant at 60% off, here: <https://bit.ly/2uQbGOV>

Discipleship Groups

- Take a group of 5-8 leaders through a SYMBOLON 5-week or 10-week small group study using the Leader’s Guide
- Invite the 5-8 leaders to lead another 5-8 participants through a study of SYMBOLON

Parish Wide Study

- Pick 5 weeks in the calendar for your Parish Wide Study (preferably Advent or Lent)
- Use the promotional materials for Parish Wide Studies - SYMBOLON found at <https://leaders.formed.org/parishwide-studies/>
- Pick a weekend and use the pulpit pitch at the end of the masses to invite participation from all parishioners and encourage them to watch and discuss in their families and with friends
- Print business cards and do a reverse collection at the end of all the masses
- Use the bulletin blurbs for each of the 5 weeks to encourage continued participation
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Parish Mission

- Pick 3 consecutive nights in the calendar for your Parish Mission with SYMBOLON. Select three sessions of SYMBOLON that align with the Parish Mission Theme (recommendation - The Story of Salvation, Who Is Jesus?, The Paschal Mystery).
- Use the promotional materials for SYMBOLON found at <https://leaders.formed.org/parishwide-studies/>
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*The 20 sessions of SYMBOLON can be offered as 4 different 5-week studies with the following themes:

- Who Is God? (sessions 1-5)
- Why Do I Need the Church? (sessions 6-10)
- The Sacraments (sessions 11-15)
- Our Christian Mission (sessions 16-20)

“The fruit of sacramental life is both personal and ecclesial. For every one of the faithful on the one hand, this fruit is life for God in Christ Jesus; for the Church, on the other, it is an increase in charity and in her mission of witness.” (Catechism of the Catholic Church #1134)

“... the sacraments push us to be missionaries and the apostolic commitment to bring the Gospel into every environment, even the most hostile, is the most genuine fruit of a regular sacramental life, because it is a participation in the saving work of God, who wants to give salvation to all.”

Pope Francis, General Audience, November 6, 2013.
