



# CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS

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## CATHEDRAL OF CHRIST THE KING

### Blessed Virgin Mary and the Saints

#### Proclamation Statement:

Through Mary's faithful 'yes,' she became the Mother of God and Jesus' first disciple. All Christians are her children; we love and honor her as Jesus did.

#### Opening Prayer:

##### The Memorare

Remember O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help or sought thy understanding was left unaided. Inspired by this confidence, I fly to unto thee, O Virgin of virgins, my Mother. To thee do I come, before thee I stand sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy, hear and answer me. Amen

#### Closing Prayer:

##### Hail Holy Queen

Hail, holy Queen, Mother of mercy, our life, our sweetness and our hope. To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve: to thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this valley of tears.

Turn then, most gracious Advocate, thine eyes of mercy toward us, and after this our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus, O merciful, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary! Amen.

#### To Make Up a Session:

You are required to attend the sessions, however, if you are unable to attend a session, attend the **DVD makeup session the following Monday evening at 5:30pm in Kenny Hall prior to our regular RCIA session**, to view the past Monday's topic. You must sign in during the session to receive credit. Answer the make-up questions for the missed session, and turn in a copy (email or hard copy) to Teresa Vigil within a week of the missed session. Contact Teresa Vigil at: [tvigil@ctking.com](mailto:tvigil@ctking.com), 404-233-2145 x439. Make-up homework can be found on the internet: <http://www.cathedralofchristtheking.org/rciaev12> Answers may be found in the *Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC)*, *the Bible* and "*We Believe...*".

#### Questions:

1. Do Catholics worship Mary and how do Catholics view Mary? (We Believe pg. 67; CCC 971)

2. What does the Immaculate Conception mean? (CCC: 490,-493,508)

3. In what way is the spiritual motherhood of Mary universal? (CCC: 501, 511, 968-970)

**4. How does Mary cooperate in the divine plan of salvation?** (CCC: 494)

**5. One of the Greek titles the early Church selected for Mary was “Theotokos.” Explain what it means and why Catholics call Mary by this title?** (CCC: 495, 2677; We Believe pg. 68)

**6. Why does the Catholic Church believe that Jesus did not have biological brothers and sisters? What does it mean that Mary was ‘ever virgin’?** (CCC: 499-507, We Believe pg. 68-69, Mt. 13:55)

**7. Why pray the rosary?** (CCC: 971, 2708; We Believe pg. 71)

**8. In what way have these questions changed the way you view Mary?**

**9. What is the meaning of the “Communion of Saints”?** (CCC: 954-959; We Believe pg. 62-63, Ephesians 2:19-20)

**10. In what ways might the communion of saints help you in your efforts to be holy and reach Heaven?**