

Outline of 'Making Disciples' Training Event

Session 1		Session 2		Session 3		Session 4		Session 5
The concept of the five evenings will be made clear; you will begin to see how the catechumenal process works, and be able to identify your own starting point for participating in these sessions.		You will begin to experience catechumenal formation through a discipline of hearing the scriptures, and empowerment through common prayer.		You will experience some of the transformation and freedom which is possible when the gospel reaches into the dark places of our lives, and addresses our fears and conflicts.		You will discover how to integrate a new sense of yourself and of church, and find greater confidence in our shared ministry of making disciples.		You will share together in imagining a refocused life in the church.
REAL LIFE	IMAGINARY	REAL LIFE	IMAGINARY	REAL LIFE	IMAGINARY	REAL LIFE	IMAGINARY	REAL LIFE
INTRODUCTION <i>Discussion in groups</i> <i>Discussion in plenary</i> <i>Task for the week</i>	Role Play Rite of Welcome	<i>Rite of Welcome</i> <i>Discussion in plenary</i> PRESENTATION <i>Discussion in groups</i> <i>Discussion in plenary</i> <i>Task for the week</i>	Role Play Rite of Calling	<i>Rite of Calling</i> <i>Discussion in plenary</i> PRESENTATION <i>Discussion in groups</i> <i>Discussion in plenary</i> <i>Task for the week</i>	Role Play Rite of Baptism	<i>Rite of Baptismal Reaffirmation</i> <i>Discussion in plenary</i> PRESENTATION <i>Discussion in groups</i> <i>Task for the week</i>	Role Play	<i>Discussion in groups</i> PRESENTATION <i>Discussion in small groups, and in plenary</i> Closing Eucharist

NOTE: *Italic type denotes the real life dimension.* **Bold type denotes liturgical celebrations.** UPPER-CASE DENOTES A PRESENTATION OF THE THEORY.

'Evening Class' Model

PREPARATORY SESSION (TRAINING SPONSORS)

PERIOD 1: Connecting (Evangelization)	Welcome, personal introductions; coffee	7:30	Host	'Sponsors' will acquire sufficient clarity about the process and goals to become motivated, and enough confidence to invite others as 'candidates'.
	Sketch of 'catechumenal process'	7:50	Catechist	
	Concept and aims of the training process	8:10	Actor 1	
	The role of 'sponsors', inside and outside of sessions	8:30	Host	
	Learning strategy: experience, then reflection	8:45	Catechist	
	How to recruit 'candidates'	9:00	Host	
	Discussion	9:15	Host	

SESSION 1:

PERIOD 1: (continued)	Coffee; welcome; personal introductions	7:30	Host	The concept of the four evenings will be made clear; participants will become conversant with the theory of catechumenal process and will identify their own starting point for participating in the event.
	PRESENTATION ON THE MEANING OF 'CATECHUMENAL PROCESS'	7:50	Catechist	
	Introduction to the nature of the five evenings	8:10	Host	
	<u>Role Play</u>	8:20	Actors	
	Reaction to role play	8:30	Role Play Dir.	
	'Candidate-Sponsor' meetings: "How did you get to this place in your life?"	8:40	(Catechist)	
	<u>Welcoming a Catechumen (Actors)</u>	9:00	Liturgist 1	
	Reflections on the rite	9:20	Catechist	
	'Candidate-Sponsor' task assignment: "What do you seek?" (Hand out copies of rite)	9:30	(Catechist)	
	Team: evaluation			

SESSION 2:

PERIOD 1: (continued)	Coffee; welcome and introduction <i>Welcoming Hearers</i> ('Candidates' & 'Sponsors') Reflections on the rite, and on the 'Candidate-Sponsor' work PRESENTATION ON THE MINISTRY OF CONNECTING AND WELCOMING ('EVANGELIZATION')	7:30 7:35 7:50 8:00	Host Liturgist 2 Catechist Catechist	
PERIOD 2: Hearing (Catechumenate)	<u>Role Play</u> Reaction to role play <i>Small Groups: reflecting on the Sunday readings</i> <u>Calling a Candidate to Baptism</u> (Actors) Reflections on the rite <i>'Candidate-Sponsor' task assignment: "Is this the covenant you believe you are called to live by?"</i> <i>(Hand out copies of the rite)</i> Team: evaluation	8:20 8:30 8:40 9:05 9:20 9:30	Actors Role Play Dir. (Catechist) Liturgist 1 Catechist (Catechist)	Participants will experience formation through 'hearing' and empowerment through ritual.

SESSION 3:

PERIOD 2: (continued)	Coffee; welcome and introduction <i>Calling Candidates to Reaffirm their Baptism</i> <i>(Candidates & Sponsors)</i> Reflections on the rite, and on the Small Group and the 'Candidate-Sponsor' work PRESENTATION ON THE MINISTRY OF HEARING AND CALLING ('CATECHUMENATE')	7:30 7:35 7:55 8:05	Host Liturgist 2 Catechist Catechist	
PERIOD 3: Forming (Candidacy)	<u>Role Play</u> Reactions to the role play <i>Small Groups: reflecting on a Lenten Gospel</i> <u>Holy Baptism</u> (Actors) Reflections on the rite <i>'Candidate-Sponsor' task assignment: "What must I renounce to follow Christ?"</i> <i>(Hand out copies of the rite)</i> Team: evaluation	8:25 8:35 8:40 9:00 9:20 9:30	Actors Role Play Dir. (Catechist) Liturgist 1 Catechist (Catechist)	Participants will experience transformation and freedom as the gospel reaches into the dark places of their lives, and addresses their fears and conflicts.

SESSION 4:

PERIOD 3: (continued)	Coffee; welcome and introduction	7:30	Host	
	<i>Abbreviated Vigil, with Reaffirmation of Baptism</i> <i>(‘Candidates & Sponsors’)</i>	7:35	Liturgist 2	
	Reflections on the rite, and on the Small Group and the ‘Candidate-Sponsor’ work	8:20	Catechist	
	PRESENTATION ON THE MINISTRY OF FORMATION AND BAPTISM (‘CANDIDACY’)	8:30	Catechist	
PERIOD 4: Integrating (Mystagogy)	<u>Role Play</u>	8:50	Actors	Participants will integrate a new sense of self and of church, and find greater confidence in our ministry of making disciples.
	Reactions to the role play	9:00	Role Play Dir. (Catechist)	
	<i>Small Groups: reflecting on the experience of sacraments</i>	9:05		
	<i>‘Candidate-Sponsor’ task assignment: “How can we work together to help form a sacramental people?”</i> Team: evaluation	9:30	Catechist	

SESSION 5:

PERIOD 4: (continued)	Coffee; welcome and introduction	7:30	Host	
	Reflections on the Small Group and the ‘Candidate-Sponsor’ work	7:35	(Catechist)	
	PRESENTATION ON THE MINISTRY OF INTEGRATION (‘MYSTAGOGY’)	8:00	Catechist	
	Reflections on the entire process: where do we go from here?	8:30	Host	
	Break	8:50	Host	
	<i>Closing Eucharist</i>	9:00	Liturgist 2	

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