



Evangelization & OCIA Workshop

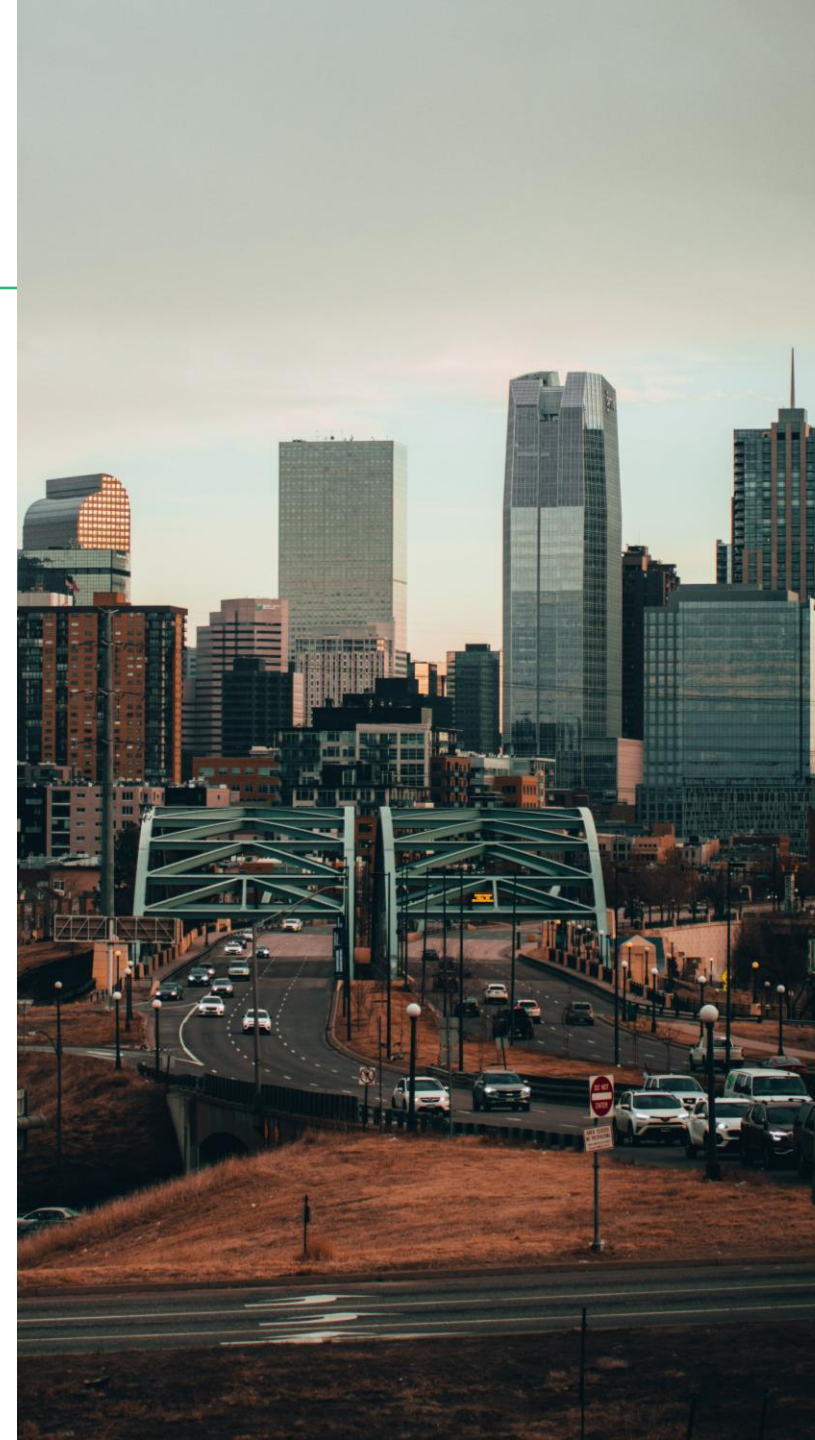
Adult Confirmation

22 January 2026



Agenda

- Opening prayer
- Rite of Election: What to Expect and Q & A with Daniela Muneton
- Adult Confirmation: Exploring the Context
- What can this look like?
- Table Discussion
- Save the Date: OCIA Workshop March 19



Gospel: Mark 3:7-12

Jesus withdrew toward the sea with his disciples.
A large number of people followed from Galilee and from Judea.
Hearing what he was doing,
a large number of people came to him also from Jerusalem,
from Idumea, from beyond the Jordan,
and from the neighborhood of Tyre and Sidon.
He told his disciples to have a boat ready for him because of the crowd,
so that they would not crush him.
He had cured many and, as a result, those who had diseases
were pressing upon him to touch him.
And whenever unclean spirits saw him they would fall down before him
and shout, "You are the Son of God."
He warned them sternly not to make him known.



Rite of Election: February 21-22, 2026

- Only catechumens, not candidates or confirmandi
- Arrive early for a walkthrough of the rite occurring 10 minutes prior to the start of the rite (and to find parking)
- Bring your book of the Elect (already signed by the Elect) and please put your parish name in the front cover!!
- Note: Please do not enter the cathedral until the previously scheduled Rite of Election has been completed
- As seating at the Rite of Election is limited, seating will be reserved for only the catechumens, godparents, and up to 5 catechists per parish



Specific Questions or Concerns?

Email Daniela.Muneton@archden.org



Adult Confirmation:

Let's Explore the Context

What Category do Adults who Need Confirmation fall into?

Catechized vs Uncatechized?

“Even if adults in this situation have not yet heard the proclamation of the mystery of Christ, their circumstances of catechumens because they have already been brought into the Church and become children of God by Baptism. Hence their conversion is based on Baptism already received, the strength of which they should further develop.” (OCIA 400)

They Still Need to Be Ready

“the preparation of uncatechized adults demands a lengthy period in which the faith poured into them at Baptism ought to grow, in order to attain maturity and be fully formed through pastoral instruction that is handed onto them; their own Christian life must be strengthened by an appropriate formation offered to them, by catechesis adapted for them, contact with the community of the faithful, and participation in certain liturgical rites.” (OCIA 401)

“Readiness” for Confirmation

- “the faith poured into them at Baptism ought to grow”
 - **practicing their faith, taking part in Eucharist and Confession**
- “fully formed through pastoral instruction that is handed onto them”
 - **walk the walk of a Christian**
- “their own Christian life must be strengthened by an appropriate formation offered to them”
 - **accompaniment in their processing of what it means to be confirmed**
- “catechesis adapted for them”
 - **what they actually need to know to be a 21st century Catholic**
- “contact with the community of the faithful”
 - **they are an active part of the parish community**
- “participation in certain liturgical rites”
 - **The Celebration of their Confirmation is the only requirement!**

Break



Didn't do the survey yet? It would be v cool of you to fill it out:



What Can this Look Like?

Experiences at IHM with Deacon Paul Louderman



Demographic information based on 50 students for the first two programs offered in the fall and winter at IHM:

- Gender: 39 females to 21 Males
- Age:
 - 50% are 18-34
 - 30% are 35-54
 - 20% are 55+
- About half of the students are from IHM, the rest are from other parishes in Thornton, Brighton, Commerce City, Westminster, Denver, Littleton and Aurora

Table Discussion:

1. Have you considered how many un-confirmed adults are in your pews on Sunday?
2. How would having a confirmation-only track impact your OCIA group?
3. Are there other more specific needs (other than confirmation only) that you see in your group?

Convalidation & OCIA?

Marriage Prep & OCIA?

Whole Family OCIA?

Fallen away Catholics that we don't know where else to put?

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Upcoming Workshops/Meetings:

March 19- Mystagogy

May 21- Engaging OCIA in the Summer Months

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