



Sacred Heart Church

RCIA Application 2022-2023

Welcome to the journey of a lifetime! Congratulations on taking the first step in growing closer to our Lord Jesus Christ and the Catholic Church which He established more than 2 millenia ago.

If you desire to learn more about the Catholic faith and are considering whether or not you would like to receive the Sacraments, please fill out this form. If you want to help a loved one enter this journey, please have them fill out this form as there are questions only they can answer.

Submitting this application is not a commitment to the Church. Everyone journeys at their own pace and we respect your discernment as you heed the voice of Christ throughout these sessions. This application helps us know how best to journey with you.

***If you have any questions at any point,
please feel free to reach out to Sacred Heart Church
and ask for the RCIA Coordinator at (760) 346-6502
(Office Hours: M-F 8:30 AM - 4:00 PM).***

Once you have completed the PDF application...

1. Email the RCIA coordinator at rcia@sacredheartpalmdesert.com with dates and times that would work for you to meet. These meeting generally take thirty minutes to an hour. It just depends on how much you would like to share.
 - You can download a PDF of the questions ahead of time: [Initial Meeting Questions](#).
2. Email the PDF application to the RCIA Coordinator or drop off a printed copy of the application to the Front Office.

Additional Documents Requested

As soon as possible, please submit a copy of your Birth Certificate and if applicable, a recent copy of your Baptism Certificate (within the last 6 months), and a copy of your First Communion Certificate.

If you do not have a copy of your Birth Certificate:

Please contact the government where you were born to request a copy. Requests can take up to a few months to fulfill. Fees vary according to country and state. For US born citizens:

<https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/w2w/index.htm>

If you do not have a recent copy of your Baptismal Certificate and/or First Communion Certificate:

Please contact the Church where you were baptized and/or received First Holy Communion to request a copy. Requests can take up to a few months to fulfill and there may be a fee.

You can submit your PDF application with your certificate(s) by

1. **Emailing rcia@sacredheartpalmdesert.com**
 - *(File Format: PDF preferred, JPG/JPEG and PNG accepted) **OR***
2. **Dropping off printed copies at the Parish Office**
 - *Office Hours: Mon-Fri 8:30 AM - 4:00 PM*
 - *Please label your envelope: "Attn: RCIA, Re: Application and/or Certificates for [Your Name]."*

Personal Information

Name: *

Prefix First Name Last Name

E-mail Address: *

example@example.com

Preferred Phone Number: *

Type of Phone *

Mailing Address: *

Street Address

Street Address Line 2

City State

Zip Code

Birth Date *



Month Day Year

Current Occupation(s)

Marital Status

I am... *

This will be/is your first marriage.

Yes

No

Name of Your Fiancé(e)/Spouse

First Name Last Name

Your Fiancé(e)/Spouse's Current Religious Affiliation

This is the first marriage of your fiancé(e)/spouse.

Yes

No

Do you have a child/children from this person or another?

Yes

No

Faith Journey Background

What is your current religious affiliation?

What have been your past religious affiliations?

Have you ever been baptized with water and the Trinitarian formula? ("I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit") *

Yes

No

Not sure

Have you received the Catholic Sacrament of First Holy Communion ? *

Yes

No

Not sure

Are you regularly attending weekly Sunday Mass?

Yes

No

If yes, what Church and which Mass time?

How familiar are you with the Bible?

I am not familiar at all.

I know how to find passages in it.

I read it regularly.

How familiar are you with the Catechism of the Catholic Church?

What's that?

I know how to navigate and find info in it.

I read it regularly.
