

**Sharing our Catholic faith
(Sacred Heart School edition)**

I feel blessed to be working here at the Church where I am able to see so many demonstrations of faith. Monday through Friday I witness many people stopping by the Church throughout the day to spend time with Our Blessed Lord, present in the tabernacle. I am uplifted when I see the faithful streaming into Church for the weekend liturgies where they receive the Body of Christ. Like me, I know our parish members also feel deeply blessed that we have our rich Catholic faith to support us in both good as well as difficult times.

I often wonder how much richer the lives of others would be if they accepted and practiced our Catholic faith. Our RCIA program is one in which people can learn about the wonderful faith that is joyfully practiced here at Sacred Heart. This year's program will take place here at the parish on Monday nights at 7:00 p.m. starting on Sept. 13, 2021.

The first of four stages of the program is called the inquiry stage. During it, people are simply invited to investigate our Catholic faith with no necessary commitment to join the Church. We need your help in inviting people in our community to participate in the RCIA process.

Please ask the Holy Spirit to guide you into conversations with co-workers, neighbors, family members, and parents of Sacred Heart Academy students, where you will be able to invite them into a discussion of the faith that you cherish. Have anyone who is interested in our Catholic faith contact the parish at 989-772-1385.

May God richly bless you and those you love.

Deacon Jim