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# 2024 OVERVIEW OF THE RITE OF ELECTION

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St. Mary Cathedral

February 18, 2024

1. **Entrance Song**
2. **Greeting and Opening Prayer**
3. **Liturgy of the Word**
  - a. First Reading
  - b. Responsorial Psalm
  - c. Second Reading
  - d. Gospel
  - e. Homily
  - f. **\*\*When the homily is finished, each RCIA team member who is calling the names should be attentive to listening to the cue directing them to form the line.**

Calling

4. **OCIA Director (Sr. Karen) will introduce the presentation of catechumens.**
5. **Act of Presentation** (RCIA team members from each parish will call the names of their catechumens. Catechumens should stand and remain standing when their name is called. They are to sit down after the refrain is sung.)

Testimony

6. **Affirmation by Godparents and Assembly**
  - a. Godparents are asked to stand (along with the catechumens) and will be asked three questions.
  - b. Our Archbishop then questions the whole assembly.
  - c. Our Archbishop then asks the catechumens a question.
  - d. Our Archbishop will then call catechumens to come forward to sign the book by saying: "And now, my dear catechumens, I ask you to come forward, accompanied by your godparent and sign your name in the book of the elect."
  - e. **\*\*Godparents place their hand on their catechumen's shoulder as they walk up to sign the book of the elect. This is done by order of pew and directed by the ushers.**
  - f. **Please remind godparents not to take pictures as catechumens are signing the book.**

Enrollment

7. **Act of Election** (catechumens sign the book of the elect)
8. **General Intercessions**
9. **Prayer over the Elect**
10. **Blessing**
11. **Recessional Song**