

Be A Companion -- Journey with Women and Men Interesting in Joining the Church



Do you enjoy **hearing and sharing stories** about faith? Are you faithful in living your Catholic faith? Have people told you that you are a **‘good listener’**? If these ideas apply to you – **you would be a GREAT RCIA Sponsor!**

There are men and women currently considering joining our Church who need someone to accompany them as a friend and prayer partner. Time requirements include attending Sunday Mass and teaching sessions with them, and one phone call during the week to say hello. Our RCIA ministry needs you – committed adult Catholics, men and women, who can share 2 ½ hours a week. We have two women and one man who currently need a

sponsor. Please call the Faith Formation office **THIS WEEK** to offer your help at (813) 689-9101.

Faith Sharing Group Leaders Needed

Spending more time in Scripture reflection and prayer is an excellent way to grow closer to the Lord during the **season of Lent**. Are YOU interested in being a leader of a Faith Sharing Group? We need leaders in the neighborhoods of our parish to share their time and their homes getting to know others who live close by AND willing to meet weekly to read scripture and share experiences of faith. Do you live in Somerset, Buckhorn, Lumsden Pointe, Heather Lakes, Copper Ridge, Strawberry Ridge, in the neighborhoods just south and north of the Church? Please call the Faith Formation Office at (813) 689-9101, if you can help – immediate and on-going training for leaders is provided.



A Ministry for Everyone



The Church calls each member of Christ's Body to **pray for the dead and to comfort those who mourn**. To answer this call, the members of the **Ministry of Presence** offer those who mourn a gift of their **presence and time** at all funeral liturgies. A member's sole duty is to be a presence, and, therefore, a consolation to those who have lost a loved one. Each member need only attend funerals when they are able. If you feel the Holy Spirit calling you to this ministry or would like more information, please call

Claudeen Boyd at (813) 689-5096 (prior to 7:00 p.m. please) or email her at ClaudeenHBoyd@ij.net.

Inquire into the Catholic Faith

Jesus invited his disciples to come and see where he lived and how he lived. Do you wonder if he is inviting you to learn more about him and the Catholic Church? Join us for an inquiry session on Sunday, January 24th, in the Adult Education Building. The session is from 9:00 – 10:00 a.m. and includes time for you to ask questions and learn more about what Catholics believe. Call the Faith Formation Office, (813) 689-9101 if you have questions, or simply plan to be with us next Sunday, January 24th.