

The Path of Discipleship

Ministry Formation 2026

Catechumenate Model	Analogy of Relationship	Stages are Marked by (disposition)	Stages of Evangelization	Responsibility of the Parish Community	Trending Verbiage	Deacon Keith Strohm
Inquiry	Introduction: First Encounter	Longing for intimacy	Invitation	Give witness: Visibility in secular community, outreach, hospitality, lived daily witness	Belong	Make Disciples
Pre-Catechumenate	Flirting: Getting to know you	Seeking & Curiosity	Evangelization & Initial Catechesis	Encounter: God and His people Kerygma: God's saving love Belonging: A community that cares about them		
Catechumenate	Dating: Get to know and fall in love	Learning & Becoming	Systematic catechesis (in the community)	Accompany: Walk with Apprentice: Teach, correct & mentor	Believe	Mature Disciples
Purification & Enlightenment	Engaged: Commit one's mind, heart, and life	Commitment & Conversion: Reorientation from self to the other	Spiritual & Moral Formation	Call to Holiness: opportunities to grow in holiness and dependance on grace	Behave	
Mystagogy	Marriage: Life together for each other	Relationship: lived total self-gift	Ongoing Catechesis and witnessing to others	Mentor: Accompany and empower in the work of evangelization Commission: Make space and send them out as co-workers in Christ	Become	Mission Disciples