

MEMO

Date: January 13, 2026

To: Pastors

From: Diocesan Liturgical Commission
OCIA Committee Member
Mary H. Reyes -

Re: RITE OF ELECTION



+[The Rite of Election and Call to Continuing Conversion is scheduled for **Sunday, February 22, 2026 at 2:00 PM** at ***The Cathedral of Our Lady of Victory in Victoria.*** During this formal ritual of the Rite of Election, **His Excellency**, the Most Reverend Brendan Cahill, will elect those catechumens to be baptized, and call into further conversion those candidates to be received into full communion this Easter.

+[The commission suggests parishes with the OCIA process conduct some time of reflection to adequately prepare for the rite. An *Information and Resources Booklet* is available at www.victoriadiocese.org (Ministries/Diocesan Liturgical Commission/Rite of Election) to help parishes and directors prepare.

+[Please complete and return the registration form or use the QR code indicating the number of catechumens and candidates that will attend the Rite of Election from your parish by ***Friday, February 13, 2026.***

+[Please bring your *Book of Elect*, which **should be signed beforehand by the catechumens**, and presented to Bishop Cahill for his signature at the Rite of Election.

+[A reception will be held at the Chancery after the Rite of Election along with a tour of the Chancery. ***In order to properly plan for the reception, please let us know how many from your parish will be attending.***

+[For questions or more information on the Rite of Election please contact Mary H. Reyes at 361-482-9932 or m.reyes0707@yahoo.com.