



November 1, 2023

MEMORANDUM

TO: Pastors, DCMs and OCIA/RCIA Coordinators
FROM: María Olivia “Marioly” Galván
RE: 2024 Rite of Election and Call to Continuing Conversion

The celebration of the **2024 Rite of Election and Call to Continuing Conversion**, will take place the weekend of **February 17-18, 2024**.

In order to accommodate the large number of attendees for our annual event, we will be holding five ceremonies. Four Rites will take place at Good Shepherd Catholic Church in San Diego County and one at St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church in Imperial County. All celebrations will take place indoors with no overflow or outside seating options available.

Each parish will have the choice to select their preferred time slot; however, please note that there is a limited capacity for each celebration. Please do not overestimate the total number attending from your parish, request only the amount you need. Parishes will be granted their preferred choice on a first come, first serve basis. Ceremony options will close once capacity is reached. Guidance pertaining to the Rite of Sending will be provided for you along with a script and additional resources.

The Book of the Elect will continue to be signed during the Rite; therefore, a designated parish book bearer will need to be assigned at the time of registration. Book Bearers and liturgical ministers will be seated separately from their parish groups in designated areas. Seating assignments will be assigned by section.

Individual parish group pictures will not be offered. Our diocesan photographer will be on site to capture the book signing and other moments from the event. The Rites taking place in San Diego County will be live-streamed.

Registration opens **November 13**, visit: www.sdcatholic.org/roe. **Registration deadline is January 5, 2024**. A Zoom orientation is scheduled for **January 24 at 10:00 am** to help prepare your parish for the celebration of the Rite. Parish packets may be picked up on **February 6 at 10:00 am (Diocesan Pastoral Center)** and **February 7 at 10:30 am (St. Anthony of Padua, Imperial)**. There is NO cost for parishes to participate.

Please note: the Rite of Election falls on the same weekend as the Anaheim Religious Education Congress. Please plan accordingly with your RCIA/OCIA teams.

For your reference, the schedule for the five Rite of Election ceremonies is attached. If you have any questions, please contact the Office for Evangelization and Catechetical Ministry at 858-490-8232.



Imperial Valley~Saturday, February 17, 2024	
St. Anthony of Padua, Imperial Rite of Election Ceremony #1 Doors Open at: 8:30 am Rite of Election: 9:00 am-10:00 am	
San Diego~Saturday, February 17, 2024	San Diego~Sunday, February 18, 2024
Good Shepherd Catholic Church Rite of Election Ceremony #2 Doors Open at: 12:30 pm Rite of Election: 1:00 pm-2:00 pm	Good Shepherd Catholic Church Rite of Election Ceremony #4 Doors Open at: 12:30 pm Rite of Election: 1:00 pm-2:00 pm
Good Shepherd Catholic Church Rite of Election Ceremony #3 Doors Open at: 2:30 pm Rite of Election: 3:00 pm-4:00 pm	Good Shepherd Catholic Church Rite of Election Ceremony #5 Doors Open at: 2:30 pm Rite of Election: 3:00 pm-4:00 pm