



DIOCESE OF VENICE IN FLORIDA

Office of Religious Education

January 16, 2019

Deadline:
February 28, 2019

TO: Pastors/RCIA Coordinators

FROM: Ashley Fox
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RE: **RITE OF SENDING & RITE OF ELECTION**

As the Season of Lent quickly approaches, two important RCIA events are coming up for those who are preparing the final steps to enter the Catholic Church this Easter, either through Baptism or into full communion.

March 10, 2019 – First Sunday of Lent	
Rite of Sending	Celebrated at the local Parish.
Rite of Election	Celebrated by Bishop Frank J. Dewane at Epiphany Cathedral for the entire Diocese.

You will find the following on the Diocesan website: <https://dioceseofvenice.org/parish-connect/all-diocesan-policies-and-forms/>.

- Rite of Sending Information Sheet
- Rite of Election Information Sheet
- Rite of Election List of Catechumens Form
- Rite of Election Seating Reservation Form
- Rite of Election Catechumen Parchment Form

Please pass on this important information to whomever oversees the RCIA program at your Parish. Also note that the deadline for returning forms to participate in the Rite of Election is **February 28, 2019** (see the Rite of Election Information Sheet for more details).

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Office of Religious Education: 941-484-9543.