



In your journey towards becoming Catholic, there are a few St. Louis and diocesan events in which you're asked to participate. Please mark your calendar for the following events:

For Catechumenate and Candidates

(1) Rite of Election- first Sunday of Lent (Sunday, February 26, 2023)

Time: 11 a.m. - Catechumen will be announced at the 11:00 Mass at St. Louis before the Rite of Election ceremony. Please plan to attend this Mass with your sponsor. You and your sponsor will be called to come to the altar during the Mass.

Time: 3 p.m.

Location: St. Joseph's Cathedral (downtown)

The Rite of Election ceremony is formal recognition by the Buffalo Diocese of individuals planning on full initiation into the Catholic Church

(2) Washing of the Feet ceremony

Date: Holy Thursday (Thursday before Easter- April 6th, 2023)

Time: 7 p.m. (please plan to arrive by 6:30 p.m.)

Location: St. Louis

For Catechumen (individuals who are baptized in another religion or who have not been baptized at all)

(3) Easter Vigil Rehearsal

Date: Easter Vigil (Saturday before Easter- April 8th, 2023)

Time: 9:30 a.m.

Location: St. Louis

Event details:

- Fr. Sal will run through what you'll do during the Easter Vigil Mass
- Sponsor should attend

(4) Easter Vigil Mass

Date: Easter Vigil (Saturday before Easter- April 8th, 2023)

Time: 7:00 p.m. (please plan to arrive 30 minutes early)

Location: St. Louis

For Candidates (individuals who only need the sacrament of Confirmation)

(3) Confirmation Mass/Ceremony

Date: Pentecost (Sunday, May 28th, 2023)

Time: 3 p.m. (please plan to arrive 1 hour early)

Location: St. Joseph's Cathedral (downtown)

Event Details- This is the diocesan Confirmation Mass