



# Secretariat for Evangelization and Catechesis

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## ATTENTION PARISHES NOT PARTICIPATING IN RENEW'S *WHY CATHOLIC?*

Join 29 parishes in the Diocese of Brooklyn where men and women are deepening their knowledge of our faith with ***Why Catholic?*** (offered in English and Spanish) from RENEW International.

Many Catholics have opportunities to share their faith with others but lack the basic knowledge and confidence to do so. ***Why Catholic?*** takes a rich scriptural and catechetical approach that can make Catholics more confident in their knowledge of the faith and better prepared to share it.

***Why Catholic?*** is a small-group process which provides an ideal, supportive environment for evangelization and adult faith formation. Participants learn and share about:

- 1) *how we pray*
- 2) *what we believe*
- 3) *how we worship*
- 4) *how we live*

Participants speak highly of the program.

*"Why Catholic? helped us to grow in our Catholic faith, increase our knowledge of the Bible, understand the power of prayer, strengthen our parish community, and build a stronger relationship with God,"*

*-St. Vincent Ferrer Church in Brooklyn, Participant*

*"Why Catholic? has been a great experience for Our Lady of Grace. The small groups provide a wonderful opportunity for parishioners to meet each other, to pray, and share their faith. This next season, we are reaching out to the parents of our Religious Education Program and Catholic Academy with the hope of creating new groups."*

*-Fr. Marc Swartvagher, Pastor of Our Lady of Grace Church in Howard Beach*

Would you like to find out more? There will be **two information sessions** to learn about ***Why Catholic?***:

**Immaculate Conception Center**

7300 Douglaston Parkway

**Thursday March 19, 2020**

1:00 PM to 2:30 PM

**Diocesan Offices**

310 Prospect Park West

**Thursday, March 19, 2020**

7:00 PM to 8:30 PM

To save your spot at one of the above sessions, please contact **Christine Georgi** [georgi@diobrook.org](mailto:georgi@diobrook.org) or 718.281.9544 by **Monday, March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2020**.

If you would like more information about ***Why Catholic?*** please contact **Paul Krenzelo** at **RENEW International 908-769-5400, X119** or [Paulk@Renewintl.org](mailto:Paulk@Renewintl.org)