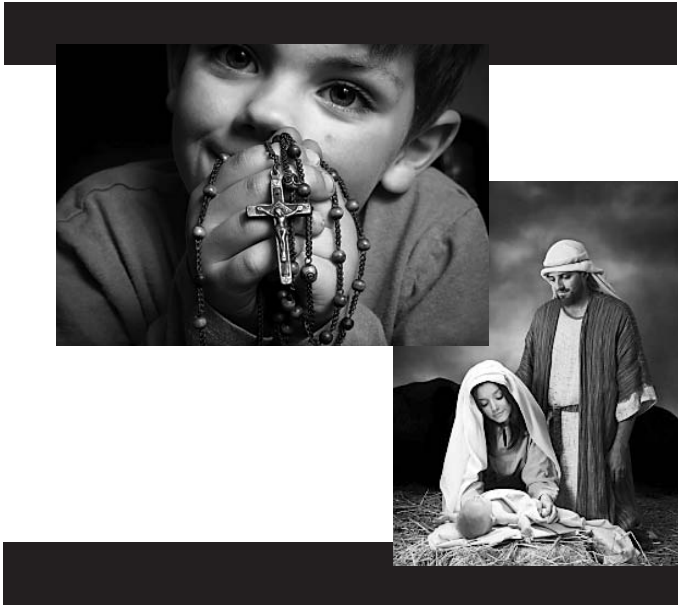


Check Out Your Local Parish.
 If you want to speak to someone about returning to
 the practice of the faith, contact a nearby Catholic parish
We look forward to welcoming you.

*Come home
 to the
 Catholic
 Church*



Take Another Look...



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If you left the Church

Or felt the Church left you

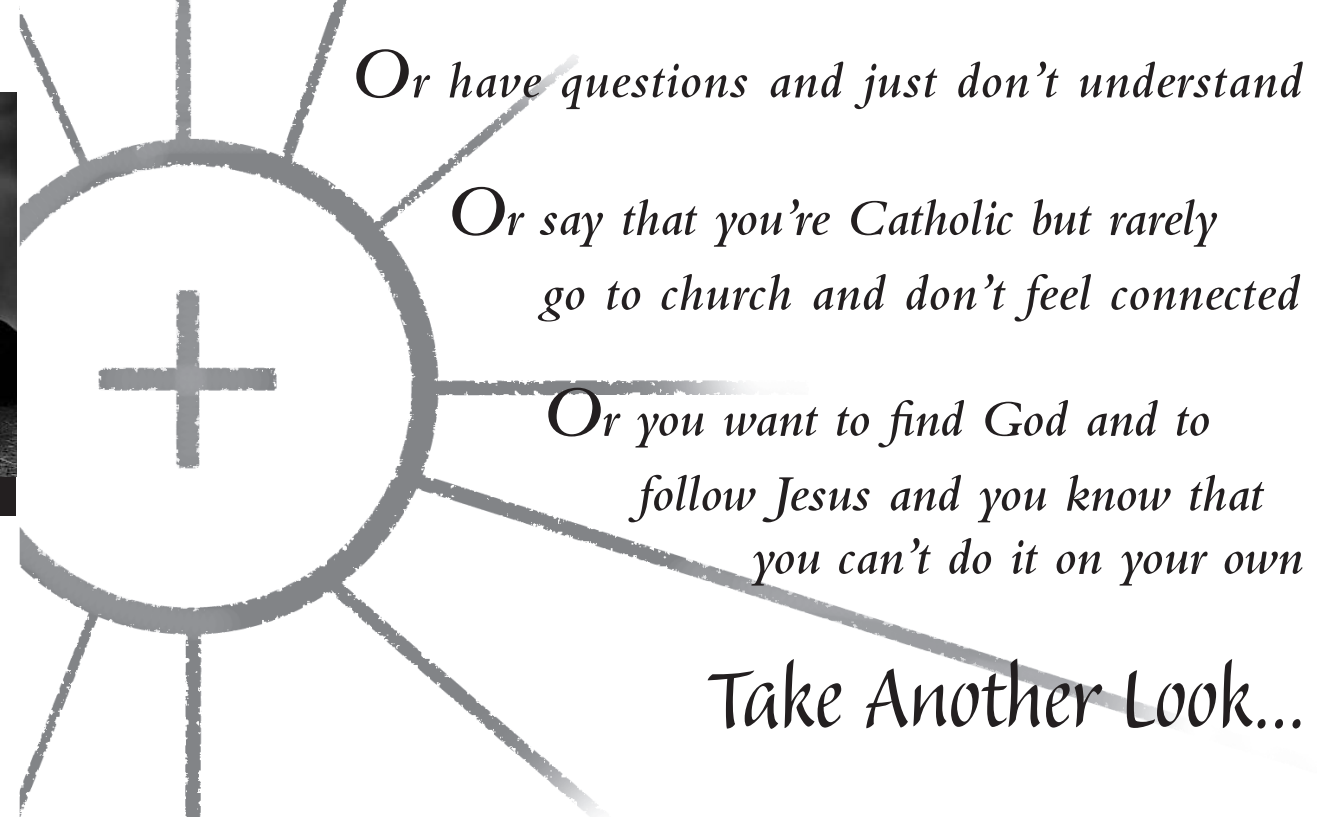
Or you just slipped away

Or have questions and just don't understand

*Or say that you're Catholic but rarely
 go to church and don't feel connected*

*Or you want to find God and to
 follow Jesus and you know that
 you can't do it on your own*

Take Another Look...



You may have questions about your faith and about the Catholic Church. If you would like to explore a topic or get more information, we would be happy to talk with you and help you find your way back home.

*Pray for Guidance:
 God of abundant life and mercy, be with me.
 Help me to find you in your Church,
 which is the body of Christ, your Son,
 who is Lord for ever and ever.
 Amen.*



Take a look at our Website www.CatholicsComeHomeCHICAGO.org
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"Our initial motivation to return to the Catholic Church was based on our desire to give our children a religious foundation, but we have found so much more. The faith formation that has taken place with our entire family has been such a wonderful experience. We couldn't imagine our lives now without the Church, Eucharist, our Faith, and the wonderful community we've become a part of."



"My wife and I were both 'cradle-Catholics.' As adults we had been away from our faith until we found each other. We realized that we wanted our marriage to be a holy Sacrament of the Church. Our spiritual path has brought us light in dark times, joy in our sadness and love in everything Christ has given us."



"My Protestant parents had sent me to a Catholic school where I fell in love with the Eucharist. I left the Church after my marriage ended in divorce at about age 23. However, my hunger for the Eucharist never left me."



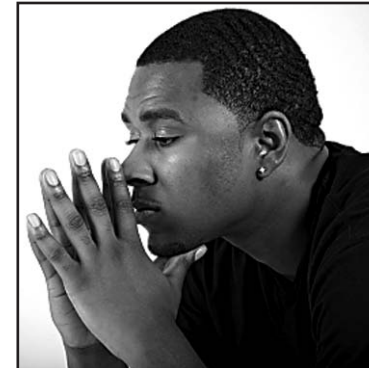
A Restless Life



Daily life is noisy and complex. And in the quiet moments, we may allow ourselves to listen to the deeper questions of our heart. Where do we anchor our hope in the middle of this troubled and unstable world? What gives us peace that enables us to move forward without fear? How can we discover not a quick-fix happiness but a deeply rooted joy in our lives?

A long time ago, Saint Augustine spoke to God words that find an echo in us: our hearts are restless until they rest in you. Something may stir within us. We begin to link the faith we received early on with the aspirations of our lives today. We begin to understand that God is calling us to rediscover the gift of faith in Jesus Christ lived out in the Catholic Church. And here we can find the hope, peace, and joy that our restless hearts yearn for.

It's time to take another look at our beginnings in the Church. It's time to look ahead to the future that God wants to give us. It's time to come home to the Catholic Church.



In the Catholic Church you will find or re-discover ...

- ✧ Jesus' victory over sin and death and our freedom from fear
- ✧ God's gift of forgiveness
- ✧ Hope in this confusing world
- ✧ Values that give real direction and purpose in life
- ✧ The Bible as God's word speaking to us today
- ✧ The Sacraments—where we meet the Lord, where the Lord meets us
- ✧ The church as a visible and organized community of faith
- ✧ The church that embraces saints and sinners
- ✧ The church that walks with us on our journey to God — together

