



Dear Fellow Catholic,

There is a new ministry starting at your parish home, St. Elizabeth Seton, which we're really excited about. It's called "Catholics Returning Home<sup>®</sup>".

Catholics Returning Home<sup>®</sup> is a small group of people from our parish who have committed to meeting with Catholics who have been away from the Church for any reason and for any period of time, from months to years. We plan to journey with our participants through a series of sessions designed to welcome, to listen, to understand, to heal, and to share.

We will meet once per week for 6 weeks, in the spirit of comfortable discussion with fellow returning Catholics with similar stories and accompanying our participants on a journey back to the Church. Through listening, discussion, and presentation of what we believe and what the contemporary Church is really like today, we hope to help those who have become separated from our Catholic faith family for a number of varied reasons, and make reconciliation possible.

There are no commitments, no obligations, just individual discernment. At the end of this series of sessions the decision of course is still up to the individual as to whether he or she is ready and comfortable with returning. And we will be there for our participants as brothers and sisters in faith to support our participants either way.

Please consider joining us on Tuesday evening [April 23](#), from 7:30 – 9:00 PM for our first meeting (location to be announced depending on group size). And consider inviting a friend or family member who also may be interested. We are waiting with open arms to accompany our separated Catholic brothers and sisters on our 6 week journey home starting that night.

If you have questions, are interested in joining us yourself, or know of someone who might be, please phone me at 630-428-4171 or email me at [ancirmo@wowway.com](mailto:ancirmo@wowway.com). I'd be pleased to hear from you whether you will join us or would just like to talk. "Come and See"

In prayerful service,

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