

OCIA SCHEDULE FOR 2025/2026				
CLASS DATE	READINGS	TOPIC	INSTRUCTOR	NOTES & SUGGESTED ADD'L READING
September 18	Intro, Q1	Welcome to OCIA	All	
September 25	Q9	Bishop Barron's The Mass	Katherine	Scott Hahn, <i>The Lamb's Supper</i>
October 2	Q9	Bishop Barron's The Mass	Katherine	
October 9	Q9	Bishop Barron's The Mass	Katherine	
October 16	Q2, Q3	What is Faith/The Holy Trinity	Georgie	
October 23	Q4, Q6	Who is Jesus/Divine Revelation	Katherine	Pope Benedict XVI, <i>Jesus of Nazareth</i>
October 30	Q5	The Bible/The Catechism	Katherine	
November 6	Q7, Q8, Q10	Your Prayer Life/Catholic Prayers and Practices/The Church Year	Georgie	<i>The Catholic Prayerbook from Downside Abbey</i>
November 13	Q11	Places in the Church	Theresa	We will meet at Saint Paul Catholic Church located at 518 Washington St, Portsmouth at 6:30 pm
November 20	Q14/Q15	Mary/The Saints	Father Tony	Scott Hahn, <i>Hail, Holy Queen</i>
November 27		Thanksgiving, No Class		
November 30		Advent begins		
December 4	Q12/Q13	Who Sheperds the Church/ The Church as Community	Hugh	
December 11	Q16	Eschatology: The Last Things	Katherine	
December 18	C1/C2	OCIA Process/Intro to the Sacraments	Katherine	Class will be combined with a dinner with your sponsors tonight
January 8, 2026	C3/C4	Baptism/Confirmation	Katherine	
January 15	C8/C9	Eucharist/Holy Orders	Father Tony	Brant Pitre, <i>Jesus and the Jewish Roots of the Eucharist</i>
January 22	C5	Marriage	Georgie & Joel	
January 29	C6/C7	Reconciliation/Anointing of the Sick	Father Tony	
February 5	C10	The People of God	Georgie	
February 12	C11	Early Church	Katherine	Marcellino D'Ambrosio, <i>When the Church was Young</i>
February 14-18		Lenten Mission		
February 18		Ash Wednesday		
February 19	E1/E2	Rite of Election/Living Lent	Katherine	
February 21		Rite of Sending to the Bishop		5:30 pm Mass, Church of the Resurrection. For those who will be baptized at the Easter Vigil

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February 26	C12	Church History	Hugh	Steve Weidenkopf, <i>Timeless A History of the Catholic Church</i>
February 28		Rite of Election		St. Bede's, Williamsburg, 10am (please arrive by 9:30). This is not a Mass. Those who will be baptized at the Easter Vigil will attend.
March 5	C13/C14	Christian Moral Living/The Dignity of Life	Katherine	Pope Paul VI, <i>Humanae Vitae</i>
March 12	C15/C16	A Consistent Ethic of Life/Social Justice	Katherine	Pontifical Council for Justice and Peace, <i>Compendium of the Social Doctrine of the Catholic Church</i> ; Pope Leo XIII, <i>Rerum Novarum</i>
March 13	E5	The Way of the Cross		Friday, meet at Saint Paul's at 4:30 pm
March 21	E3/E7	RETREAT (Scrutinies/The Meaning of Holy Week)		Saturday Retreat from 10:00-2:00 pm.
March 26	E4/E6	The Creed/The Lord's Prayer	Katherine	
April 2		Holy Thursday		
April 3		Good Friday		
April 4		Easter Vigil		Rehearsal at Saint Paul at 10:30am. Be back at the Church by 7pm.
May 7	M1/M2	Conversion: A lifelong process/The Role of the Laity	Katherine	any book by C.S.Lewis, G.K.Chesterton or Thomas Merton; Pope St. John Paul II, <i>Christifideles Laici</i>
June 11	M3/M4	Your Spiritual Gifts/Discernment	Katherine	Sherry Weddell, <i>Fruitful Discipleship</i>
July 16	M5/M6	Our Call to Holiness/Living the Virtues	Katherine	Thomas A Kempis, <i>The Imitation of Christ</i>
August 13	M7/M8	Family Life/Evangelization	Katherine	Pope St. John Paul II, <i>Letter to Families</i>