



OCIA Schedule 2026-2027

Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA)

Ministry Center Building, 6:30-8:30PM Wednesdays



Class	Session	Topic / Activity	Handouts / Notes
WED JUL 29	TEAM MEETING		
WED AUG 05	Session #1	Inquiry: Welcome to the OCIA. Team Introduction. <i>Requirement: Order copies of Birth Certificates/Baptismal Certs.</i>	Q1
WED AUG 12	Session #2	Inquiry: What is Faith?	Q2
THU AUG 15	THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY – HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION		
WED AUG 19	Session #3	Inquiry: The Holy Trinity / Who is Jesus Christ?	Q3, Q4
WED AUG 26	Session #4	Inquiry: The Bible / Divine Revelation	Q5, Q6
WED SEP 2	Session #5	Inquiry: Your Prayer Life / Catholic Prayers & Practices	Q7, Q8
WED SEP 07	NO SESSION (LABOR DAY HOLIDAY)		
WED SEP 16	Session #6	Inquiry: The Mass	Q9
WED SEP 23	Session #7	Inquiry: The Church Year	Q10
WED SEP 30	Session #8	Inquiry: Places in a Catholic Church	Church Tour (Q11)
WED OCT 07	Session #9	Inquiry: Mary / The Rosary <i>(Rosary in Church 6:30 PM)</i>	Q14
WED OCT 14	Session #10	Inquiry: Who Shepherds the Church? <i>(Rosary in Church 6:30 PM)</i>	Q12
WED OCT 21	Session #11	Inquiry: The Church as Community <i>Requirement: Choose your sponsor.</i> <i>(Rosary in Church 6:30 PM)</i>	Q13
WED OCT 28	Session #12	Inquiry: The Saints <i>(Rosary in Church 6:30 PM)</i>	Q15
FRI NOV 01	ALL SAINTS – HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION		
WED NOV 4	Session #13	Inquiry: Eschatology: The “Last Things”	Q16
WED NOV 11	Session #14	Catechumenate: People of God / Early Church / Church History	C10, C11, C12
WED NOV 18	Session #15	Catechumenate: The OCIA Process & Rites	C1
WED NOV 25	Session #16	Catechumenate: Introduction to Sacraments <i>Remember: Sponsor Meeting Night!</i>	C2 <i>Prepare for the Rite of Acceptance & Welcoming</i>
SUN 11/29?	CHURCH	Rite of Acceptance, Rite of Welcoming @ 11:00 AM Mass Arrive by 10:30 AM. <i>Remember: Bring your sponsor, bring your family.</i>	REQUIRED
WED DEC 02	Session #17	Catechumenate: The Sacrament of Baptism	C3
TUE DEC 08	IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY – HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION		
WED DEC 09	Session #18	Catechumenate: The Sacraments of Confirmation <i>Requirement: Choose your Patron Saint.</i>	C4
WED DEC 16	Session #19	Catechumenate: The Sacrament of Eucharist	C5
WED DEC 23	NO SESSION – (CHRISTMAS BREAK)		
FRI DEC 25	NATIVITY OF THE LORD – HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION		
WED DEC 30	NO SESSION – (CHRISTMAS BREAK)		
FRI JAN 01	SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD – HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION		
WED JAN 06	Session #20	Catechumenate: The Sacrament of Reconciliation / Penance #1	C6
WED JAN 13	Session #21	Catechumenate: The Sacrament of Reconciliation / Penance #2	C6
WED JAN 20	Session #22	Catechumenate: The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick	C7

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WED JAN 27	Session #23	Catechumenate: The Sacrament of Matrimony #1	C8
WED FEB 03	Session #24	Catechumenate: The Sacrament of Matrimony #2	C8
WED FEB 10	ASH WEDNESDAY		
WED FEB 10	Session #25	Catechumenate: The Sacrament of Holy Orders	C9
WED FEB 17	Session #26	Catechumenate: Christian Moral Living / Dignity of Life	C13, C14
WED FEB 24	Session #27	Catechumenate: A Consistent Ethic of Life / Social Justice	C15, C16
WED FEB 10	Session #28	Catechumenate: The Rite of Sending / Rite of Election <i>Remember: Bring your sponsor!</i>	N/A
SUN FEB 14	CHURCH & OFFSITE	Rite of Sending @ 11:00 AM Mass. Arrive by 10:30 AM. Lunch in Parish Center. Rite of Election at Epiphany Cathedral in Venice @ 2:30 PM <i>Remember: Bring your sponsor, bring your family.</i>	REQUIRED
WED MAR 10	Session #29	Enlightenment: Saying Yes to Jesus / Living Lent <i>Requirement: Must have Birth/Baptismal Certificates on file!</i>	E1, E2
WED TBD	Session #30	Enlightenment: Scrutinies: Looking Within <i>Requirement: Baptized candidates serve as ushers @ Scrutiny Masses.</i>	E3 <i>Prepare for 1st Scrutiny</i>
SUN TBD	CHURCH	First Scrutiny for the Elect. 11:00 AM Mass. Arrive by 10:30 AM.	REQUIRED
WED TBD	Session #31	Enlightenment: The Creed / The Way of the Cross	E4, E5 <i>Prepare for 2nd Scrutiny</i>
SUN TBD	CHURCH	Second Scrutiny for the Elect. 9:00 AM Mass. Arrive by 8:30 AM.	REQUIRED
WED TBD	Session #32	Enlightenment: The Lord's Prayer	E6 <i>Prepare for 3rd Scrutiny</i>
SUN TBD	CHURCH	Third Scrutiny for the Elect. 11:00 AM Mass. Arrive by 10:30 AM.	REQUIRED
WED TBD	Session #33	Enlightenment: The Meaning of Holy Week	E7
WED TBD	Session #34	Enlightenment: Easter Vigil Retreat <i>Remember: Bring your sponsor!</i>	E8
THU MAR 25	CHURCH	Holy Thursday - Mass @ 7:00 PM. Arrive by 6:30 PM. Special Roles for OCIA Catechumens & Candidates	REQUIRED
FRI MAR 26	CHURCH	Good Friday - Celebration of the Lord's Passion.	REQUIRED
SAT MAR 27	CHURCH	Holy Saturday - Easter Vigil @ 8:15 PM. ● Retreat: 10:00 AM, Ministry Center ● Practice: 11:00 AM, Church ● Vigil Mass: Arrive by 7:15 PM	REQUIRED
SUN MAR 28	EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD		
WED TBD	NO SESSION (EASTER BREAK)		
WED TBD	Session #35	Mystagogy: Conversion: A Lifelong Process	M1
WED TBD	Session #36	Mystagogy: The Role of the Laity	M2
WED TBD	Session #37	Mystagogy: Your Spiritual Gifts / Discernment	M3, M4
WED TBD	Session #38	Mystagogy: Our Call to Holiness / Living the Virtues	M5, M6
WED TBD	Session 39	Mystagogy: Family Life	M7
THU MAY 6	THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD (HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION - MOVED TO SUNDAY)		
WED TBD	Session #40	Mystagogy: Evangelization	M8
WED TBD	Session #41	Celebration Dinner <i>Remember: Bring Your Sponsor!</i>	