

2025-2026 Schedule for Christian Initiation (OCIA) for Adults

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Catechuminate

Sept 4	Class 1	Divine Revelation—Chapter 1
Sept 11	Class 2	The Trinity—Chapter 2
Sept 18	Class 3	Creation & the Fall—Chapter 3
Sept 25	Class 4	Salvation History —Chapter 4
Oct 2	Class 5	Jesus Christ—Chapter 5 and The Paschal Mystery—Chapter 6
Oct 9	Class 6	The Holy Spirit—Chapter 7
Oct 16	Class 7	The Church—Chapter 8
Oct 23	Class 8	Mary & the Saints—Chapter 9
Oct 30	Class 9	The Four Last Things—Chapter 10
Nov 6	Class 10	Sacraments & Liturgy—Chapter 11
Nov 13	NO CLASS	St. Vincent de Paul Christmas Sale
Nov 20	Class 11	Baptism & Confirmation—Chapter 12
Nov 27	NO CLASS	Thanksgiving
Dec 4	NO CLASS	Tyler Christmas Parade
Dec 11	Class 12	The Eucharist—Chapter 13
Dec 18	NO CLASS	POSADAS
Dec 25	NO CLASS	Christmas Break
Jan 1, 2026	NO CLASS	NEW YEARS BREAK
Jan 8	Class 13	The Mass —Chapter 14
Jan 15	Class 14	Reconciliation & Anointing of the Sick—Chapter 15
Jan 22	Class 15	Holy Orders- Chapter 16
Jan 29	Class 16	Holy Matrimony—Chapter 17

Purification & Enlightenment

Feb 5	Class 17	The Christian Moral Life—Chapter 18
Feb 12	Class 18	The Culture of Life—Chapter 19
Feb 18	NO CLASS	IT'S A WEDNESDAY ASH WEND- Beginning of Lent
Feb 19	Class 19	Catholic Social Teaching—Chapter 20
Feb 26	Class 20	Tradition of Prayer—Chapter 21
March 5	Class 21	Sin & Temptation—Chapter 22 and Going to Confession—Chapter 23
March 12	Class 22	Battle of the Spiritual Life—Chapter 24
March 19	Class 23	The Virtues—Chapter 25
March 26	Class 24	Holy Week—Chapter 26

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March 29	Sunday	Palm Sunday
March 31	Tuesday	Chrism Mass
April 2	Thursday	Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper
April 3	Friday	Good Friday
April 4	Saturday	Holy Saturday—Easter Vigil

Mystagogy

April 9

April 16

April 23

April 30

May 7

May 14

May 21

Going Deeper

No Class—Easter Break

Class 1

Class 2

Class 3

Class 4

Class 5

Class 6

Scripture

The Trinity

The Church

Mary & the Saints

The Sacraments

Grace



Christian Initiation RITES

The Rite of Acceptance—A rite usually held the first Sunday of Lent - a ritual in which an unbaptized person expresses his/her intention to be baptized. The non-baptized becomes a catechumen.

The Rite of Welcoming—a rite in which a baptized person expresses his/her intention to enter into full communion with the Catholic Church. The baptized Christian becomes a candidate.

These are usually offered the first of the new year as needed.

The Rite of Election/Continuing Conversion—This rite is a passage in which the catechumen's godparent or the candidates sponsor testifies on behalf of the catechumen or candidate that his/her heart and mind have been transformed by Jesus Christ. The non-baptized is not referred to as an elect, while a baptized person is still called a candidate. The Rite of Election is always held the Sunday after Ash Wednesday.

The Scrutiny's—Usually held the 3rd, 4th & 5th Sundays of Lent for the Elect

Preparation Rites—Holy Sat Morning . Then practice for the Vigil

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