

Order of Christian Initiation for Adults

Introductory Dates

June 8 & 22, July 13, and Aug 10& 24 4 to 5:15 pm in the Upper Room 5:30 pm Mass optional

2025 Dates

Inquiry

September 7, 14, 21, 28 October 10, 19 November 2, 16, 23

Catechumenate

December 7

2026 Dates

January 4, 18 February 8, 15, 22

Purification & Enlightenment

March 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

Easter Vigil

April 5

Mystagogy

April 19, 26 May 3

Rite, Scrutiny and Vigil

These are important dates that require attendance. Please put these dates on your calendar. The times for the Rites will be announced closer to the date.

December 14 – Rite of Acceptance 5:30 pm Mass

February 15 - Rite of Sending 11:30 am Mass

February 21? - Rite of Election (Un-Baptized only)

March 7 – 1st Scrutiny 5:00 pm Mass

March 15 – 2nd Scrutiny 11:30 am Mass

March 22 – 3rd Scrutiny 9:00 am Mass

March 22 - Vigil practice During Class

March 27 – Stations of the Cross 7 to 8 pm

April 2 – Tridium 7 to 8 pm

April 3 – Tridium continues 7 to 8 pm

April 4 - Easter Vigil 7:00 pm Mass

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Welcome to the Catholic Church!! You are beginning a journey of faith that will last a lifetime. The OCIA is a process though which unbaptized adults are formed in the teachings and the practices of the Catholic Church. This process also includes people that for some reason have not completed their rites of initiation. If they choose then they may be initiated into the church though rites and rituals. These include the Rite of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. This journey takes time. Enjoy the process.

Periods of OCIA

Inquiry: A time to ask questions about the Catholic Faith. No commitments or promises are made. This period can last as long as you desire.

Catechumenate: During this time, you will study and discuss most of the Church's main beliefs. You will choose a Sponsor or Godparent to join you on this journey. This person will attend RCIA with you and serve as the church representative.

Purification and Enlightenment (Lent) This time begins a deeper spiritual and prayerful period of preparation for the sacraments. This period prepares those who are ready to receive their Sacraments of Initiation at the Easter Vigil.

Mystagogy: This is the time for the new members to ponder the mysteries of the sacraments.