

OCIA SCHEDULE FOR 2026/2027				
CLASS DATE	READINGS	TOPIC	INSTRUCTOR	NOTES & SUGGESTED ADD'L READING
August 13		Dinner with outgoing class & new class	Katherine	
September 17	Intro, Q1	Welcome to OCIA	All	
September 24	Q9	The Mass	Katherine	Scott Hahn, <i>The Lamb's Supper</i>
October 1	Q2, Q3	What is Faith/The Holy Trinity	Georgie	
October 8	Q4	Who is Jesus	Hugh	Pope Benedict XVI, <i>Jesus of Nazareth</i>
October 15	Q5, Q6	The Bible/The Catechism/Divine Revelation	Katherine	
October 22	Q7, Q8, Q10	Your Prayer Life/Catholic Prayers and Practices/The Church Year	Georgie	<i>The Catholic Prayerbook from Downside Abbey</i>
October 29	Q11	Places in the Church	Theresa	We will meet at Saint Paul Catholic Church located at 518 Washington St, Portsmouth at 6:00 pm
November 5	Q12, Q13	Who Shepherds the Church/ The Church as Community	Hugh	
November 12	Q14, Q15	Mary/The Saints	Fr. Tony	Scott Hahn, <i>Hail, Holy Queen</i>
November 19	Q16	Eschatology: The Last Things	Katherine	Combine with a dinner with sponsors?
November 26		Thanksgiving, No Class		
November 29		Advent begins		
December 3	C2	The Sacraments: An Introduction	Katherine	
December 10	C3/C4	Baptism/Confirmation	Katherine	
December 17	C5	Eucharist	Fr. Tony	Brant Pitre, <i>Jesus and the Jewish Roots of the Eucharist</i>
January 7, 2027	C6/C7	Reconciliation/Anointing of the Sick	Fr. Tony	
January 14	C8	Matrimony	Georgie & Joel	
January 21	C9	Holy Orders	Fr. Tony	
January 28	C10	The People of God	Georgie	
February 4	E1/E2	Rite of Election/Living Lent	Katherine	
February 7		Rite of Sending to the Bishop		Church of the Resurrection, 11:30 am Mass. This is for all who are not baptized
February 10		Ash Wednesday		
February 11	C11, C12	Early Church/Church History	Hugh	Marcellino D'Ambrosio, When the Church was Young; Steve Weidenkopf, <i>Timeless A History of the Catholic Church</i>

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February 13		Rite of Election		St. Bede's in Williamsburg, 10 am. Please arrive by 9:30 am. This is for all who are not baptized
February ?		Lenten Mission		
February 18	C13, C14	Christian Moral Living/The Dignity of Life	Katherine	Pope Paul VI, <i>Humanae Vitae</i>
February 25	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 ?		Retreat - maybe 3/6 but TBD		
March 4	E4, E6	The Creed/The Lord's Prayer	Katherine	Catechism of the Catholic Church
March 12	E5	The Way of the Cross		Friday, meet at Saint Paul's at 5:30 pm
March 18	E7	The Meaning of Holy Week		
March 25		Holy Thursday		St. Paul, 7pm
March 26		Good Friday		Resurrection, 7pm
March 27		Easter Vigil		Rehearsal at Saint Paul at 10:30am. Be back at the Church by 7pm.
April 22	M1/M2	Conversion: A lifelong process/The Role of the Laity	Katherine	Any book by C.S.Lewis, G.K.Chesterton, Peter Kreeft or Thomas Merton; Pope St. John Paul II, <i>Christifideles Laici</i>
May 27	M3/M4	Your Spiritual Gifts/Discernment	Katherine	Sherry Weddell, <i>Fruitful Discipleship</i>
June 24	M5/M6	Our Call to Holiness/Living the Virtues	Katherine	Thomas A Kempis, <i>The Imitation of Christ</i>
July 15	M7/M8	Family Life/Evangelization	Katherine	Pope St. John Paul II, <i>Letter to Families</i>
August 12		Dinner with outgoing class & new class	Katherine	