

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults

2025-26 Calendar

Classes are Sundays from 10:00 am – 10:50 am in Classroom 1
St. Josephine Bakhita Parish
6077 Sharon Woods Blvd.
Columbus, OH 43229

Resource	Date	Topic(s)	Instructor	For Next Class
Agenda	August 21	Planning Meeting 5:45 PM, Room 1	Catechist Team	
		Inquiry		
	September 14	Is OCIA for me? (Inquiry Session)	Catechist Team	Q1, Q2
Q1, Q2	September 21	Welcome to OCIA What is faith?	Catechist Team	Q3, Q4
Q3, Q4	September 28	The Holy Trinity Who is Jesus Christ?	Judy McElwee	Q5, Q6
Q5, Q6	October 5	The Bible Divine Revelation	Judy McElwee	Q7, Q8
Q7, Q8	October 12	Your Prayer Life Catholic Prayers and Practices	Fr. Pius	Q9, Q11
Q9, Q11	October 19	The Mass Places in a Catholic Church	Fr. Tony Davis	Q10, Q12, Q13
Q10, Q12, Q13	October 26	The Church Year Who Shepherds the Church The Church as Community	Deacon Dean	Q14, Q15, Q16
Q14, Q15, Q16	November 2	Mary, The Saints, Eschatology	Judy McElwee	C1
C1	November 9	The OCIA Process Choosing a Sponsor Explain Rite of Acceptance	Fr. Tony Davis	C2
		Catechumenate		
C2	November 16	The Sacraments: Introduction	Deacon Dean	C3
	November 23	Happy Thanksgiving! No Class		
C3	November 30	Rite of Acceptance at 11:00 Mass The Sacrament of Baptism	Diep Bui	C4

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C4	December 7	The Sacrament of Confirmation	Hold for Paulist Associate	C5
C4	December 14	The Sacrament of Eucharist	Judy McElwee	C6, C7
	December 21	Christmas Break! No Class		
	December 28	Merry Christmas! No Class		
	January 4 2026	Happy New Year! No Class		
C6, C7	January 11	Sacrament of Reconciliation Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick	Fr. Tony Davis	C8, C9
C8, C9	January 18	The Sacraments of Matrimony The Sacrament of the Holy Orders	Deacon Dean	C10
C10	January 25	The People of God Explain Rite of Sending & Election	Fr. Tony Davis	C11, C12
C11, C12	February 1	The Early Church Church History	Hold	C13
C13	February 8	Christian Moral Living	Sir Emeka	C14, C15
C14, C15	February 15	Church Social Teaching A Consistent Ethic of Life	Hold for Social Justice	E1, E2
	February 18	Ash Wednesday Evening Mass		
		Enlightenment		
E1, E2	February 22	Rite of Sending & Election		E3
		Election: Saying Yes to Jesus Living Lent		
E3	March 1	The Scrutinies: Looking Within	Dcn. Jason	E4
E4	March 8	The Creed		E5, E6
E5	Between March	Penance Service with		
	1-14 TBD	First Reconciliation		
		Way of the Cross (Friday Stations)		
E6	March 15	The Scrutinies at 11:00 Mass The Lord's Prayer	Sir Emeka	E7
E7	March 22	The Meaning of Holy Week	Deacon Dean	
	March 29	Palm Sunday OCIA Retreat (1:00 – 3:00p)	Fr. Pius	E8
E8	Saturday, April 4, Morning	Easter Vigil Practice (11:00a)	Fr. Pius & Fr. Tony	M1, M2
	Saturday, April 4, Evening	Easter Vigil in Evening		
	April 5	Happy Easter! No Class		

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Mystagogy							
M1, M2	April 12	Conversion: A Lifelong Process The Role of the Laity	Diep Buy				

O God, the giver of every perfect gift,
by the grace of baptism you adopt us as your own and call us to your service.
Strengthen us by your Holy Spirit to live the gospel we have embraced.
Deliver us from self-seeking and cause us to work for the common good.

Keep us loyal to Christ in all we set out to accomplish,
that the praise and the glory may be yours alone.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God for ever and ever. Amen.

OCIA Liturgical Rites
OCIA No Class Day