



Ave Maria Parish

RCIA Syllabus: 2021-2022

Date & Time: Mondays 7:00pm – 8:30pm
Meeting Place: Our Lady of the Assumption church, Hall
Materials: Bible, Journal, Catechism of the Catholic Church
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Ordinary Time:

Period of Inquiry

September 17: Open House/What is the RCIA Process?
*Optional Dinner beforehand

September 20th: What is the Meaning of Life?
September 27th: Why Does Jesus Matter?
October 4th: What Does Jesus Want us to Know?
October 11th: Columbus Day – No Meeting!
October 18th: Why Do we Need a Savior?
October 25th: Why is the Resurrection Important
November 1st: New Life in the Spirit
November 15th: Our Need for the Church
November 22nd: The RCIA Process and Rites

Advent/Christmas

Period of Catechumenate

November 29th: The Sacraments: An Introduction
December 6th: Baptism & The Dignity of Life
December 13th: No Class!
December 20th: Confirmation, Eucharist & Social Justice

Ordinary Time

January 10th: No Class!
January 17th: MLK Jr. Day – No Class!
January 24th: Sacrament of the Sick & The Dignity of Life
January 31st: Penance, Reconciliation & Christian Moral Living
Matrimony & Holy Orders

February 7th: The People of God
February 14th: No Class!
February 21st: Presidents Day – No Class!
February 28th: The Early Church & Church History

Lent/Easter:

Period of Purification & Enlightenment

March 7 th :	Election: Saying Yes to God
March 14 th :	No Class!
March 21 st :	Living Lent & The Scrutinies
March 28 th :	The Creed
April 4 th :	The Way of the Cross & The Lord's Prayer
April 11 th :	The Meaning of Holy Week & The Easter Vigil

April 16th: Easter Vigil

Reception of the Sacraments of Initiation

Period of Mystagogy

April 25 th :	Conversion: A Lifelong Process
May 2 nd :	The Role of the Laity
May 9 th :	No Class!
May 16 th :	Your Spiritual Gifts & Discernment
May 23 rd :	Our Call to Holiness & Living the Virtues

Required Events:

Breaking Open the Word: Beginning in November, those in the RCIA Process attend the first part of Mass (either the 4pm at OLA, the 9:30am at SMG, or the 11am at OLA) and are dismissed before the homily. They then have time together to reflect on the readings for the day and to “break open” the Word.

Date TBD - Reconciliation Service

April 16th, 2022 – Easter Vigil

Rehearsal

Mass

Recommended Events:

November 28th – Rite of Acceptance into the Order of the Catechuminate

December 2021 – Advent Prayer Service

Date TBD – Rite of Sending & Rite of Election

March 2022 – Scrutinies

March 2022 – Stations of the Cross/Lenten Prayer Service