

St. Gertrude Church

Order of Christian Initiation for Adults - OCIA

Calendar 2026-2027

Ministry Center – Chapel 11:30 am (1 hour approx.)

Period of Inquiry

- Sept 13 Who is God? What is Faith?
- Sept 20 Bible/Revelation
- Sept 27 Bible/Revelation
- Oct 04 Jesus the Christ
- Oct 11 **No Class** - *Columbus Day*
- Oct 18 Bible/Revelation
- Oct 25 The Holy Trinity
- Nov 01 The Mass
- Nov 08 The Church Year/ Mary / The Saints
- Nov 15 **No Class** – *Veterans Day*
- Nov 22 Church Visitation
- Nov 29 **No Class** - *Thanksgiving Weekend*
- Dec 06 The Structure of the Church
- Dec 13 Canon Law
- Dec 19 Day of Reflection from 9 to noon at the Ministry Center**
- Dec 20 Rite of Acceptance / Welcoming ***
- Dec 27 **No Class** – *Merry Christmas*

Period of Catechumenate

- Jan 03 **No Class** – *Happy New Year*
- Jan 10 Sacraments of Initiation
- Jan 17 **No Class** - *ML King Jr.*
- Jan 24 Sacraments of Healing
- Jan 31 Sacraments at the Service of the Church
- Feb 07 Lent - Social Justice
- Feb 14 **No Class** - *Presidents' Day*
- Feb 21 The Rite of Sending (St. Gertrude) and Rite of Election (Cathedral) ***

Period of Purification and Enlightenment

- Feb 28** Scrutiny I (Nicene Creed / The Woman at the Well) *
- Mar 07** Scrutiny II (The Lord's Prayer / Man Blind from Birth) *
- Mar 13** Scrutiny III (Lazarus/Holy Week/Palm Sunday/Triduum) *
- Mar 20 **Day of Reflection from 9 to noon at the Ministry Center**
- Mar 21 **No Class - Palm Sunday**
- Mar 27 **Reception of the Sacraments (10 am Practice – 8 pm Vigil Mass) ***

Period of Mystagogy

- Mar 28 **No Class - Easter**
- Apr 04 Conversion: A Lifelong Process
- Apr 11 The Role of the Laity / Spiritual Gifts
- Apr 18 Discernment & Our Call to Holiness
- April 25 Living our Sacraments
- May 03 Evaluation-Certificates

****dates on which the Sponsor needs to be present***