

2023-4 RCIA CALENDAR
(prospective with detail)

CLASS FORMAT:

- 1) A psalm for an opening prayer (or from a saint or from scripture)
- 2) Reflection on the Psalm
- 3) Topical presentation and discussion
- 4) Evening Prayer to close

DATES	TOPICS
Sept 5	INTRO: RCIA; WHY CHRISTIAN? WHY CATHOLIC? <i>PS 84: How lovely is your dwelling place, Lord God of hosts</i>
Sept 12	WHY FAITH MATTERS; WHY JESUS WAS A JEW <i>PS 63: O God, you are my God. For you I long.</i>
Sept 19	ABOUT SEEKING GOD <i>St. Benedict: Bestow upon me, O gracious, O holy Father ...</i>
Sept 26	ABOUT HUMANKIND <i>PS 8: O Lord, our Lord, how your name is to be marveled at...</i>
Oct 3	ECCLESIOLOGY 1/2: OUR BROKENNESS; THE THREE ROOTS OF SIN <i>PS 51: Have mercy on me, God, in your kindness...</i>
Oct 10	ECCLESIOLOGY 3: CHRIST THE HEALER <i>Luke 1:68-79 Benedictus: Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel</i>
Oct 17	ECCLESIOLOGY 4: THE SAINTS <i>Ephesians 3:14-21 Father, ... may you ... allow us to be strengthened...</i>
Oct 24	NO CLASS: FALL BREAK
Oct 31	ECCLESIOLOGY 5: GUIDE TO THE MASS, LITURGICAL YEAR, ADVENT <i>Isaiah 2:2-5 In days to come, the mountain of the Lord's house ...</i>
Nov 7	ECCLESIOLOGY 6: MAGISTERIUM <i>The Nicene Creed: I believe in one God, the Father almighty...</i>
Nov 14	SCRIPTURE 1: SCRIPTURE IS WITHIN MAGISTERIUM <i>PS 19: ... The law of the Lord is perfect...</i>
Nov 21	NO CLASS before Thanksgiving; meeting for prayer is available
Nov 28	SCRIPTURE 2: OLD TESTAMENT <i>Habakkuk 3: O Lord, I have heard your renown and am in awe ...</i> Dec 3: First Sunday of Advent

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- Dec 5 SCRIPTURE 3: NEW TESTAMENT
John 1: In the beginning was the Word...

Dec 10: Second Sunday of Advent
- Dec 12 NO CLASS during Finals Week; meeting for prayer is available

Dec 17: Third Sunday of Advent
- Dec 19 SACRAMENTS 1/2: CONCEPTS (with ZOOM capability)
PS 87 His foundation is on holy mountains

Dec 24: Fourth Sunday of Advent
Dec 25: Solemnity of the Nativity of Christ
- Dec 26 NO CLASS for Christmas Holiday
- Jan 2 SACRAMENTS 3: BAPTISM (with ZOOM capability)
PS 1: Blessed is the man ...

(Jan 8: Spring Semester classes begin)
- Jan 9 SACRAMENTS 4: CONFIRMATION
Isaiah 11:1-4a But a shoot shall sprout from the stump of Jesse
- Jan 16 SACRAMENTS 5: EUCHARIST
PS 80: O shepherd of Israel, hear us ...
- Jan 23 SACRAMENTS 6/7: RECONCILIATION and HEALING
PS 32 Blessed is the one whose fault is removed
- Jan 30 SACRAMENTS 8: LENT PREP/Rite of Sending and Election; MARRIAGE
St. Francis: Lord, make me an instrument of thy peace.
MARRIAGE
Song of Songs 8:7 Deep waters cannot quench love
- Feb 6 SACRAMENTS 9: HOLY ORDERS; HOLY WEEK PREP
Matthew 13:44-46 The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure...

Feb 12: Mardi Gras: Beignets, Coffee and Jazz at Newman
- Feb 13 CHRISTIAN LIFE 1: ALMSGIVING 1
PS 123: To you I have lifted up my eyes

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Feb 14: Ash Wednesday
Feb 18: First Sunday of Lent;
Rite of Sending at parish; Rite of Election at Christ the King

Feb 20 CHRISTIAN LIFE 2: ALMSGIVING 2
Franciscan prayer: May God bless us with a restless discomfort..

Feb 25: Second Sunday of Lent

Feb 27 CHRISTIAN LIFE 3: PRAYER 1
PS 145: I will extoll you, my God and King

March 3: Third Sunday of Lent: First Scrutiny

March 5 CHRISTIAN LIFE 4: PRAYER 2
PS 118: Give thanks to the Lord for he is good — his love endures forever.

March 10: Fourth Sunday of Lent: Second Scrutiny

March 11-16 **NO CLASS: SPRING BREAK**

March 17: Fifth Sunday of Lent: Third Scrutiny

March 19 CHRISTIAN LIFE 5: FASTING
Isaiah 58:1-11

March 24-30 HOLY WEEK:
March 24 PALM SUNDAY
March 26 CHRISM MASS at Christ the King

March 26 CHRISTIAN LIFE 6: HOLINESS
PS 24: The earth is the Lord's and all it holds

March 28 HOLY THURSDAY begins the TRIDUUM
March 29 GOOD FRIDAY, STATIONS OF THE CROSS

MARCH 30 EASTER VIGIL; practice 1:00

April 2 MYSTAGOGIA I: JESUS REVEALS HIMSELF

April 9 MYSTAGOGIA II: PENTECOST IS COMING

April 16 MYSTAGOGIA III: OUR GIFTS AND LIFE IN THE CHURCH