

R.C.I.A. CALENDAR FOR 2017-2018

DATE	HANDOUT TITLE	TOPIC
PERIOD OF THE EVANGELIZATION AND PRECATECHUMENATE		
Wednesday, September 6, 2017	Does God Exist? (1-2) Attributes of God (3-5) The Blessed Trinity (6-7) God the Creator (8-9) Angels (10)	God and Creation
September 13	Made in His Image (11) Original Sin (12-13)	Man and the Fall
September 20	The Covenants of God with Us (14-19)	The Old Testament (Part One)
September 27	The Covenants of God with Us (14-19)	The Old Testament (Part Two)
October 4	The Incarnation (20-21) True God and True Man (22-26) Jesus, the Unexpected Messiah (27-30) Miracles: Proof of Christ's Claims (31-32) Jesus: The Way, the Truth, and The Life (33-35)	Jesus' Nature, Person, and Mission
October 11	The Movie "Jesus of Nazareth" Chaps. 32-39 (40 min.); 51-59 (44 min.); 68-71 (25 min.)	
October 18	The Mysteries of the Rosary: A Compendium of the Gospel The Holy Rosary (36-38)	
October 25	Mary, the New Eve (39) The Five Doctrines on Mary (40-46)	Mary (Part One)
November 1	Mother of God and Our Mother (47-48)	Mary (Part Two)
November 8	Servant of the Servant of God: St Peter and... (49-51) One, Holy, Catholic... (52-53) The Church is Apostolic (54-55)	The Church (Part One)
November 15	The Priesthood of the Faithful (56-59) The Consecrated Life (60-61) Separated Brethren (62-65)	The Church (Part Two)
November 22	NO CLASS: THANKSGIVING BREAK	
November 29	Divine Revelation (66) The Deposit of Faith (67-68) Sacred Tradition (69-71) Sacred Scripture (72-75) The Magisterium (76-77) Infallibility: God's Perfect Gift to His Imperfect Church (78-80)	The Deposit of Faith and the Magisterium
December 6	The Communion of Saints (81-82) Resurrection of the Body (83-84) The Catholic Funeral (85-87) Purgatory (88-89) The Four Last Things: Death, Judgment, Heaven, and Hell (90-94) New Heavens and a New Earth (95-99)	The Saints & the Last Things
December 13	Liturgy: An Introduction (100-101) The Liturgical Year (102-104) Sacraments: God Uses the Material World to Sanctify... (105-107)	The Liturgy Calendar & Introduction to the Sacraments
December 20	NO CLASS: CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY	
December 27	NO CLASS: CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY	

January 3, 2018	Baptism (108-109) Grace (110-111) Justification (112-113) Good Works (114-117)	Baptism
PERIOD OF THE CATECHUMENATE		
RITE OF ACCEPTANCE INTO THE ORDER OF CATECHUMENS & RITE OF WELCOMING St. Joseph's Parish, Sunday, January 7, 2018 @ 11:30 a.m. Mass (Baptism of the Lord)		
January 10	The Holy Spirit (118-120) Confirmation (121-123) The Gifts of the Spirit (124-125)	Confirmation
January 17	The Eucharist (126-129) The Real Presence (130-131) Reservation of the Blessed Sacrament (132-133)	The Eucharist
January 24	History of the Mass (134-136) The Parts of the Mass (137-139)	The Mass
January 31	What is Sin? (140-142) Reconciliation (143-146) Confession to a Human Being (147) Continual Conversion (148) Indulgences (149-151)	Sin & Reconciliation Confession & Penance
February 7	MINOR EXORCISM WITH BLESSING OF THE CATECHUMENS ANOINTING OF THE CATECHUMENS The Christian Meaning of Suffering (152-154) Anointing of the Sick (155-157) Viaticum (158)	Christian Suffering & Anointing of the Sick
February 14 <i>Ash Wednesday</i>	Holy Orders (159-161) In Persona Christi (162-163) Women and the Priesthood (164-165) What is a Sacramental Marriage? (166-167) Matrimony (168-170)	Holy Orders & Christian Marriage
PERIOD OF PURIFICATION AND ENLIGHTENMENT		
RITE OF ELECTION AND CALL TO CONTINUING CONVERSION Cathedral of St. Thomas More, Arlington Saturday, February 17 @ 7:30 p.m.		
<i>February 18</i> <i>1st Sunday of Lent</i> February 21	Natural Law (171-175) God's Law (176-181) Veneration of Holy Images (182-183) Praying to Mary: Idolatry or the Will of God? (184-185) Profanity (186-188) The Sabbath and Sunday Worship (189-192)	1 st through 3 rd Commandments
<i>February 25</i> <i>2nd Sunday of Lent</i> February 28	PEITENTIAL RITE (SCRUTINY) (For the baptized candidates in preparation for First Penance) – St. Joseph's Parish @ 11:30 a.m. Mass Honoring Our Parents (193-194) The Catholic Family (195-199) The Sanctity of Human Life (200-201)	4 th and 5 th Commandments
<i>March 4</i> <i>3rd Sunday of Lent</i> <i>March 7</i>	1ST SCRUTINY – St. Joseph's Parish @ 11:30 a.m. Mass PRESENTATION OF THE CREED Male and Female He Made Them (202-203) Marriage, Sexuality, and Contraception (204-206) Chastity and Modesty (207-211)	6 th and 9 th Commandments

March 11 4 th Sunday of Lent March 14	2ND SCRUTINY – St. Joseph’s Parish @ 11:30 a.m. Mass Stealing, Lying, Cheating (212-214) The Precepts of the Church (215)	7 th , 8 th , and 10 th Commandments Church Precepts
March 18 5 th Sunday of Lent March 21	3RD SCRUTINY – St. Joseph’s Parish @ 11:30 a.m.. Mass PRESENTATION OF THE LORD’S PRAYER The Lord’s Prayer (216-217)	The Lord’s Prayer
March 25 Palm (Passion) Sunday March 28	FIRST CONFESSIONS FOR CATHOLICS & CANDIDATES BEING RECEIVED INTO FULL COMMUNION WITH THE CATHOLIC CHURCH (DURING CLASS TIME) Holy Week (218-220) The Stations of the Cross (221-222)	Holy Week and the Stations of the Cross
Saturday, March 31 Easter Vigil	REHEARSAL FOR EASTER VIGIL @ 3:00 PM, CHURCH EPHPHETA RITE AND RECITATION OF THE CREED CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION FOR CATECHUMENS AND CANDIDATES - 8:00 PM	
Sunday, April 1	EASTER SUNDAY: THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD	
PERIOD OF POSTBAPTISMAL CATECHESIS OR MYSTAGOGY		
April 4 Music Ministry	Introduction to Prayer (223) Types of Prayer (224-225) Aspects of Prayer (226-227) Well-Known Catholic Prayers (228-231) The Battle of Prayer (232-235) Christian Meditation (236-237) The Heights of Prayer (238-239)	An Introduction to Prayer
April 11 MOMS group	Temptation (240-242) The Seven Deadly Sins (243-246) Holiness and Joy (247-248) Virtuous Living (249-251) The Virtue of Faith (252-255) The Virtue of Hope (256-257) The Virtue of Charity (258-259)	Sin and Sanctity Vice and Virtue
April 18 Ladies’ Society	Sacramental Living (260-261) The Disciple of Christ (262-266)	Christian Discipleship
April 25 Knights of Columbus Men’s Society	FIRST CONFESSIONS FOR NEOPHYTES (DURING CLASS TIME) Structure of the Bible (267-269) Deuterocanonical Books of the Old Testament (270) Can the Bible be taken Literally? (271-274)	Introduction to the Bible
May 2 Lectors & EMS	Sacramentals (275-277)	Sacramentals
May 9 Adult Formation Religious Education	Works of Mercy (278-279) Social Teachings of the Church (280-283)	Works of Mercy
May 16 Parish Advisory Council (PAC)	The Kingdom of God (284-285) Evangelization (286-288) “Go Forth with Hearts on Fire” – Most Rev. Paul S. Loverde	Evangelization
May 20	PENTECOST SUNDAY: THE COMING OF THE HOLY SPIRIT	