



Becoming Catholic

OCIA | Order of Christian Initiation for Adults

The Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA) is for adults who have never been baptized who seek to become Catholic. It is also for adults who were baptized in another Christian church who seek to become Catholic and adults who were already baptized as Catholic, but who have not celebrated the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Holy Communion, or Confirmation.

Join us Wednesday, September 2 at 6pm for a Meet & Greet!

Enjoy dinner, learn more about the process, and get to know your leaders. Kindly RSVP to Jessica Durbin.

Our first class begins **Wednesday, September 9**, in the Parish Hall. An **optional dinner will be served before each class from 6:00–6:30pm**, followed by **class from 6:30–7:45pm**. Classes meet every Wednesday through the end of May.

Contact Jessica Durbin at ocia@magdalenwichita.com for more information.

2026–2027 Becoming Catholic (OCIA) Calendar

Phase of Inquiry: Explore and Discern Becoming Catholic

Sept 9: What is Faith

Sept 16: What is the Holy Trinity? Who is Jesus Christ?

Sept 23: Your Prayer Life, Catholic Prayers and Practices

Sept 30: Divine Revelation, The Bible

Oct 7: The Mass

Oct 14: The Liturgical Year, Last Things

Oct 21: Mary and the Saints

Oct 28: Who Shepherds the Church, Church as Community

Nov 4: Places in the Church, The Mass

Nov 8: Rites of Entrance & Welcoming, Sunday 9:30am Mass

Phase of Catechumenate: Prepare to Receive the Sacraments

Nov 11: An Introduction to the Sacraments

Nov 18: The Sacrament of the Eucharist

Nov 25: Thanksgiving break

Dec 2: Sacrament of Baptism & Confirmation

Dec 9: Christmas Season Feasts & Saints

Dec 16: Sacrament of Matrimony & Family Life

Dec 23: Christmas Break

Dec 30: Christmas Break



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Phase of Catechumenate: Prepare to Receive the Sacraments (con't)

Jan 6: Sacrament of Holy Orders, Reconciliation and Anointing of Sick

Jan 13: Morality Basics and Catholic Social Teaching

Jan 20: Moral Issues

Jan 27: Dignity of Life, Bioethics

Feb 3: Living Lent

Feb 7: Rites of Sending & Calling the Candidates to Continuing Conversion, Mass

Feb 10: No Class – Attend Ash Wednesday Mass

Feb 14: Rite of Election (TBD)

Feb 17: Church History/Salvation History

Phase of Enlightenment: Prayer, Study, and Sacramental Preparation

Feb 24: The Scrutinies & Mental Prayer

Feb 28: The First Scrutiny, 9:30am Mass

Mar 3: The Creed

Mar 4: Men's ACTS Retreat, begins with 5:30pm Mass

Mar 7: Men's ACTS Retreat concludes after 11:30am Mass & lunch

Mar 7: The Second Scrutiny, 9:30am Mass

Mar 10: The Way of the Cross

Mar 14: The Third Scrutiny, 9:30am Mass, Penitential Rite, 11:30am Mass

Mar 17: Spring Break

Mar 24: The Meaning of Holy Week

Mar 27: Easter Vigil Retreat, Rehearsal, Confessions, Easter Vigil

Holy Triduum & Easter

Holy Triduum Devotions and Masses: March 25–28

Easter Vigil Saturday, March 27: Attend Mass and Become a Catholic!



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Phase of Mystagogy: Walk in the Way of Faith Together

Mar 31: Conversion – A Way of Life

Apr 7: Role of the Laity, Stewardship & Discipleship

Apr 14: Committing to Prayer

Apr 21: Committing to Formation

Apr 28: Committing to Service

Apr 29: Women's ACTS Retreat begins with 5:30pm Mass

May 2: Women's ACTS Retreat concludes with 11:30am Mass & Lunch

May 5: Committing to Evangelization