

St. Patrick's Basilica

RCIA Program 2010-2011

STAGE I: PRE-CATECHUMENATE

- October**
- 5: Introductory Meeting
 - Explanation of RCIA Process
 - Testimonial
 - 12: Introduction to the Holy Bible
 - 19: God the Father and Divine Revelation
 - 26: God the Son: Jesus the Word
- November**
- 2: God the Holy Spirit
 - 9: Conversion: God's Invitation to Follow Him
 - 16: Prayer: Conversing with God
 - 23: Basilica Tour
 - 27: ***Advent Retreat***
 - ***Liturgical year;***
 - ***The celebration of Mass explained;***
 - ***Meditation.***
 - 30: The Creeds (Apostles' and Nicene) including Doctrinal Statements from the Church Councils
- December**
- 7: The Ten Commandments – God's Invitation to Love
 - 14: Meaning of Christmas and Christmas Social
 - 21 and 28: No Class
- January**
- 5: No Class
 - 11: Introduction to Sacraments and Sacramentals
 - 16: ***Rites of Welcome and Acceptance (11:00 a.m. Basilica)***

STAGE II: CATECHUMENATE

- January**
- 18: Baptism
 - 25: Confirmation

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- February**
- 1: Holy Eucharist
 - 8: Holy Orders
 - 15: Sacrament of Marriage
 - 22: Sacrament of Reconciliation

- March**
- 1: Sacrament of the Sick
 - 8: Celebration of Ashes (Lady Chapel)
The Four Last Things
 - 12: **Lenten Retreat**
 - **Preparation for Lent;**
 - **Explanation of Rite of Election**
 - 13: **First Sunday in Lent**
 - **Rite of Sending (11:00 a.m. Basilica)**
 - **Rite of Election (2:00 p.m. Cathedral)**

STAGE III: PURIFICATION AND ENLIGHTENMENT

- 15: Blessed Virgin Mary, the Saints, and Devotions
 - 22: The Church: History, Organization, and Structure
 - 29: Christian Morality
- April**
- 5: The Three Oils
 - Anointing with Oil of Catechumens (Lady Chapel)
 - Meditative Prayer and *Lectio Divina*
 - Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament
 - 12: Holy Week
 - 17: **Palm Sunday (Basilica)**
 - 19: No Class
 - 20: **Chrism Mass (8:00 p.m. Mary Queen of the World Cathedral)***
 - 21: **Holy Thursday: Institution of the Eucharist and the priesthood (8:00 p.m. Basilica)**
 - 22: **Good Friday: Celebration of the Lord's Passion (3:00 p.m. Basilica)**
 - 23: **Holy Saturday (Basilica)**
 - **Rehearsal at 10:00 a.m. (Enter by the door at back of basilica from the priest's parking lot)**

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Easter Vigil (Basilica)

- ***Celebration of the Sacraments: 8:00 p.m. (Please arrive at 7:15 p.m.)***
- ***Reception for newly initiated and guests to follow Easter Vigil Mass in Congress Hall***

24: ***Easter Sunday (Basilica)***

STAGE IV: MYSTAGOGIA

April 26: Sharing on Easter

May 3: Mission of the Laity and Collaborative Ministry

10: Integration Session(s)

June 12: ***Pentecost Sunday: Sending Forth***

NOTES:

- A warm welcome to the RCIA process at St. Patrick's.
- Sessions take place every Tuesday evening from 7:30 p.m. – 9:15 p.m. on the second floor of Congress Hall, 454 René-Lévesque Blvd. West.
- Sessions include teaching on a particular subject, discussion, social time, and prayer.
- Events in italics are in addition to the regular Tuesday sessions.
- Events marked with an asterisk (*) are optional yet recommended.
- Participants are expected to take part in the life of the worshipping community by weekly attendance at Sunday Mass.
- A prayerful discernment to all.