



**Espiritu Santo**

**OCIA / RCIA SCHEDULE & TOPICS**  
**Following 10:30AM Mass Sundays**  
*(Rites / Retreats & other enrichment opportunities will have varied schedules)*

**INQUIRY PERIOD**

**SEPTEMBER 2024**

08, 15, 22, 29

**EVANGELIZATION / PRE-CATECHUMENATE**

**OCTOBER 2024**

06 – Unpacking Faith Desires & Questions  
13 – Continuing to Unpack, Welcome, Build  
20 – Four Pillars of Faith, w/ a Little H.E.L.P.  
27 – Our Profession of Faith: Laying a Firm Foundation: Transmitting Faith

**NOVEMBER 2024**

03 – Rite of Welcome / Acceptance  
10:30AM Mass

**CATECHUMENATE BEGINS**

10 – Human Desire, Revelation, Faith  
17 – Scripture and Tradition  
24 – *Advent, New “Year” upon us!*

**DECEMBER 2024**

*01 – Thanksgiving weekend (No OCIA)*  
08 – The Church, Mary, Saints, Eternity  
*09 – Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary (many Mass opportunities for this beautiful Holy Day, moved to Monday)*  
15 – Express Faith: Worship & Liturgy  
22 – Church Tour (following **12:00Noon Mass**)  
*29 – Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, Joseph. Christmas Break (No OCIA)*

**JANUARY 2025**

05 – Epiphany Sun. *Sacraments Overview*  
12 – Sacraments of *Initiation*  
19 – Sacraments of *Healing / Human Dignity, Sin, Mercy*  
26 – Sacraments of *Service and Communion*

**FEBRUARY 2025**

02 – Commandments, Beatitudes, Virtues, Works of Mercy, Social Justice  
09 – Trinity  
16 – Mass Parts / Meaning  
23 – Mass Parts / Meaning

**MARCH 2025**

02 – Lenten Practices  
**05 – Ash Wednesday, Lent Begins**  
*PERIOD OF PURIFICATION / ENLIGHTENMENT*  
**09 – Noon Mass - Rite of Sending**  
**09 - Rite of Election, Call to Continuing Conversion – Cathedral 3:00PM**  
16 – Prayer, Forms of Prayer  
**23 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday Lent - First Scrutiny**  
*Woman at the Well – 10:30AM Mass*  
**30 – 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday Lent - Second Scrutiny**  
*Man Born Blind – 10:30AM Mass*

**APRIL 2025**

**06 – 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Lent - Third Scrutiny**  
*Raising of Lazarus – 10:30AM Mass*  
**13 – Palm Sunday (Holy Week Begins)**  
*\*During Holy Week (Dates TBA) =  
Presentation of Lord’s Prayer, Preparation Rites,  
Recitation of the Creed, Ephphetha Rite, Rehearsal*  
15 – Chrism Mass - Cathedral  
17 – Holy Thursday, Mass of the Lord’s Supper  
18 – Good Friday  
**19 – Holy Saturday ... The GREAT Easter Vigil! Sunset**  
**20 – Easter Sunday, Jesus Has Risen!**

## ***Mystagogia 2025***

Weeks of (day / time during each week  
TBD) April 27<sup>th</sup> (Divine Mercy Sunday),  
May 4<sup>th</sup>, May 11<sup>th</sup> (Mother's Day), May 18<sup>th</sup>,  
May 25<sup>th</sup>, June 1<sup>st</sup> (Ascension of the Lord),  
June 8<sup>th</sup> (**Pentecost Sunday**)

mystagogia  
is initiation into that  
which is not yet fully  
revealed.

Many of us think of mystagogia as the final period of the catechumenal process, occurring in the 50 days after the Easter Triduum. It is, however, a *much broader reality*. We need to shift our thinking a bit. Mystagogia is not only for the 50 days, but for all our days. From the very beginning, our encounters should be mystagogical. Mystagogia should primarily be a liturgical experience that takes place in the midst of the Sunday assembly. The neophytes might be gathered a few times in the Easter season, specifically to remember and explore the experience of their initiation at the Vigil. But the systematic, catechetical process of the catechumenate ended when Lent began. Now the hope is for the neophytes to enter into the ongoing adult faith formation process. And that process is, of course, mystagogical. GOALS FOR MYSTAGOGIA GATHERINGS:

- An experience of Christ in the celebration of the Sunday liturgy.
- An exploration of that experience deepened by conversation and reflection.
- A continued connection with sponsor and others who have been supportive on the journey thus far.
- A desire to continue to grow in faith enrichment, knowledge ... and practically live out the teachings of the faith. Translation – understanding, compassion, service, love.
- ***“Faith is either missionary or it is not faith. If I say that I am a Christian and I live like a pagan, it does not work!” Our Holy Father Pope Francis***