

St. Thomas More Catholic Church: Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA)

CALENDAR FOR FALL 2023

More Hall A Tuesday Evenings, 6:15-7:30PM

The Inquiry Sessions

9/12	Tues.	OCIA Begins – Welcome & Introduction
9/19	Tues.	The Word of God: Scripture & Our Faith Journey
9/26	Tues.	Prayer & Worship
10/3	Tues.	God Pronounced it Good: Creation
10/10	Tues.	Jesus: Who Do We Say He is? Who Do the Gospels Say He is?
10/17	Tues.	Jesus: What does He say About Himself?
10/24	Tues.	NO OCIA
10/31	Tues.	Jesus: Who does the Church say He is?
11/7	Tues.	What is this Church we come to? Tour of the Church
11/14	Tues.	Discernment/Conversion & Catechumenate Sessions
11/21	Tues.	NO OCIA
11/18-19	Sun.	Rite of Welcome & Acceptance at the Weekend Masses

The Inquiry Stage is a time when individuals explore their faith life, in order to determine how God is calling them to deepen their relationship with Him, and consider the possibility of becoming full members of the Catholic Church. It is a time of discernment and reflection. It is a time to ask questions about one's life, and consider who God, in Jesus, calls us to be.

During the Inquiry Sessions, you are invited to....

*Attend Mass weekly. Allow yourself to be in an environment that is full of encounters with God, and rich in the movements that Catholics use in faith.

*Make regular examinations of your conscience. Reflect on how you have responded, or rejected, God's invitations in your life.

*Develop moments of silence in your life. In silence, we can hear the voice of another more clearly, including the voice of God.

*Nurture a spirit of gratitude. Trust in God's providence; that you have been led to this moment for a reason. Trust that God has blessings to bestow upon you as you discern God's presence in the Catholic Church.

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