

**St. Thomas More Catholic Church: Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA)
CALENDAR FOR FALL 2024**

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

The Inquiry Sessions

9/10	Tues.	OCIA Begins – Welcome & Introduction
9/17	Tues.	The Word of God: Scripture & Our Faith Journey
9/24	Tues.	God Pronounced it Good: Creation
10/1	Tues.	Jesus: Who Do We Say He is? What does He say About Himself?
10/8	Tues.	Jesus: Who does the Church say He is?
10/15	Tues.	The Birth of the Church: What is it? Where does it come from?
10/22	Tues.	NO OCIA
10/29	Tues.	Prayer & Worship: Public and Private Devotions
11/5	Tues.	NO OCIA
11/12	Tues.	What is this Church we come to? Tour of the Church
11/19	Tues.	Discernment & Catechumenate Sessions; Sponsors and Godparents
11/23-24	Sun.	Rite of Welcome & Acceptance at the Weekend Masses
11/26	Tues.	NO OCIA

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 rich in the movements that Catholics use to experience and encounter God.

*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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