

St. Patrick's Basilica RCIA Program 2018-2019

STAGE I: PRE-CATECHUMENATE

October

- 2: Introductory Meeting
Explanation of RCIA Process
 - Testimonial
- 9: Introduction to the Holy Bible
- 16: God the Father and Divine Revelation
- 23: God the Son, Jesus the Word
- 30: God the Holy Spirit

November

- 6: Conversion: God's Invitation to Follow Him
- 13: Prayer: Conversing with God
- 20: Liturgy (explanation of Mass)
- 24: ***Advent Retreat (Team)***
 - ***Liturgical year;***
 - ***The celebration of Mass;***
 - ***Meditation.***
- 27: Basilica Visit

December

- 4: Evening Prayer and Christmas Social

No Classes on December 11, 18, 25th and January 1st

STAGE II: CATECHUMENATE

January

- 8: Introduction to Sacraments and Sacramentals
- 15: Sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation
- 20: ***Rites of Welcome and Acceptance (11:00 a.m. Basilica)***
(Presence of sponsors required)
- 22: Sacrament of Eucharist
- 29: Sacrament of Reconciliation and of the Sick

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February

- 5: Winter Break
- 12: Sacrament of Marriage
- 19: Sacrament of Holy Orders
- 26: Blessed Virgin Mary, Devotions and the Saints

March

- 2: ***Lenten Retreat and Preparation for Rite of Election***
 - ***Explanation of Lenten Season and Rite of Election;***
 - ***Meditation;***
 - ***Stations of the Cross;***
- 5: Celebration of Ashes for Candidates and Catechumens (Chapel)
Four Last things

STAGE III: PURIFICATION AND ENLIGHTENMENT

- 10: ***First Sunday in Lent – for catechumens only***
(Presence of sponsors required)
 - ***Rite of Sending (11:00 a.m. Basilica)***
 - ***Rite of Election (2:30 p.m. Mary, Queen of the World Cathedral, 1085 Rue de la Cathédrale – beside Queen Elizabeth Hotel)***
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- 12: Ten Commandments
- 19: **Solemnity of St. Joseph, Patron of Canada (no class)**
- 26: The Creeds: Nicene and Apostles.
- April
- 2: Church History
- 9: Explanation of Holy Week
- 14: ***Palm Sunday (Basilica)***
- 17: ***Chrism Mass (7:30 p.m. - Mary Queen of the World Cathedral)****
- 18: ***Holy Thursday: Institution of the Eucharist and the Priesthood (8:00 p.m. Basilica)****
- 19: ***Good Friday: Celebration of the Lord's Passion (3:00 p.m. Basilica)****
- 20: ***Holy Saturday (Basilica)***
 - ***10:00 a.m. Rehearsal. Enter by the door at back of basilica from the priest's parking lot. Presence of sponsors required.***
- Easter Vigil (Basilica)***

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

21: *Easter Sunday (Basilica)*

STAGE IV: MYSTAGOGIA

23: Sharing on Easter
The Mission of the Laity

May

Tba: Mass of the Neophytes (newly baptized)
Mary, Queen of the World Cathedral with the Archbishop

NOTES:

- Sessions take place every Tuesday evening from 7:30 p.m. – 9:15 p.m. in St. Brigid's Room located on the second floor of Congress Hall, 454 René-Lévesque Blvd. West.
- Session 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.
- For those who have been previously baptized, **please submit a photocopy or electronic copy of your baptismal certificate by the end of October. Those who have not been baptized are asked to submit a birth certificate by the same date.** Sponsors *may* also be required to produce proof of baptism and confirmation.