

ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

Blessed Sacrament Parish

Schedule for 2003-2004

September

Tuesday, September 16th Welcome! Opening Night – Orientation and Prayer Service
“Who is God and what does He want?”
The Existence of God, the Blessed Trinity = Family of Persons

Tuesday, September 23rd The Blessed Trinity and Creation
God created us “in His image”

Tuesday, September 30th Original Sin and Evil
“Why do I need God?” Original Sin and Evil

October

Tuesday, October 7th Salvation in Christ: “*Saved and Set Free*”
The Story of Salvation History

Tuesday, October 14th Divine Revelation
God’s Word to us – Scripture and Tradition

Tuesday, October 21st Faith “Lord, I believe”
Conversion I – What is conversion and what does it involve?
“*Repent and Believe the Good News*”

Tuesday, October 28th The Moral Life – Conversion II
How then shall I live? The Ten Commandments

Saturday, November 1st **Solemnity of the All Saints**

November

Tuesday, November 4th Prayer, Conversation with God
The Person of Jesus and dialogue with Him
Scriptural Prayer- Lectio Divina

Tuesday, November 11th The Person of Jesus
His Public Ministry – His Life, Teaching and Miracles

Tuesday, November 18th The Paschal Mystery, Salvation, and Justification

Tuesday, November 25th The Holy Spirit and Grace
“He will lead you into all truth”
Tour of the Church

Thursday, November 27th **Thanksgiving**

December

Tuesday, December 2nd

The Four Last Things
Death, Judgment, Heaven and Hell
The Communion of Saints

Saturday, December 6th
10 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Retreat for Rite of Acceptance/Welcoming

Sermon on the Mount – Jesus’ Conversion Call
Importance of forgiveness, what Jesus expects in Christian life
Jesus’ Social Message
2 hours of serving those in need in the community

Sunday, December 7th

Rites of Acceptance and Welcoming

Tuesday, December 16th

Prophecies concerning the Messiah: Isaiah, Jeremiah
The Incarnation “*God becomes one of us*”
“*Jesus is True God and True Man*”

Tuesday, December 23rd

Christ’s relationship with Mary, His Mother
Four dogmas and Spiritual Motherhood

Tuesday, December 30th

The Kingdom of God on earth

January

Tuesday, January 6th

Liturgy of the Church
“*The Acceptable Worship of God*”
The Liturgical Year

Tuesday, January 13th

The Sacrament of Baptism
The Waters of Life – Living a Life of Faith, Hope, Charity
What is Sanctifying Grace?
“*Drinking from the Well of Salvation*”

Tuesday, January 20th

The Sacrament of Confirmation
“*Sealed in the Holy Spirit*”

Tuesday, January 27th

The Holy Eucharist
Bread of Life

February

Tuesday, February 3rd

The Holy Eucharist
Holy Sacrifice

Tuesday, February 10th

The Sacrament of Marriage
Natural Family Planning

Tuesday, February 17th

The Sacrament of Holy Orders
In the Person of Christ

Tuesday, February 24th

The Sacrament of Reconciliation
“*Pardon and Peace*”

Wednesday, Feb. 25th

Ash Wednesday - beginning of Lent

Saturday, Feb. 28th
10 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Retreat for Rite of Election

1. The Authority of Peter and the Apostolic Church
2. Themes of Purification & Enlightenment
 Explain Rite of Sending/Rite of Election
 Being received as one of the elect by Bishop Burke,
 a successor to the Apostles

Sunday, Feb. 29th

Rite of Sending and Rite of Election

St. Joseph the Worker Cathedral, La Crosse

March

Tuesday, March 2nd

The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick
Stations of the Cross

Tuesday, March 9th

Introduction to Types of Prayer
Catechism of the Catholic Church #2598 - 2649
Preparation for First Confession for Candidates

Tuesday, March 16th

Traditions of Prayer and Adoration
Stages of Prayer, spiritual ascent of prayer
Catechism of the Catholic Church #2650 - 2724
Meditate upon two of the Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary

Tuesday, March 23rd

The Battle of Prayer
Catechism of the Catholic Church #2725 – 2758
Meditate upon two of the Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary

Tuesday, March 30th

Vocation and the Universal Call to Holiness
The Lord's Prayer – CCC #2759 - 2865
Meditate upon the Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary

April

Tuesday, April 6th

Tuesday of Holy Week

Explain Holy Week – Paschal Mystery/Tridium
Stations of the Cross

Good Friday, April 9th

Good Friday Services

Saturday, April 10th

Retreat – Preparation Rites

Preparation for Baptism
Preparation for First Communion

Easter Vigil - 8 p.m.

Sunday, April 11th

Easter

Tuesday, April 20 th	Testimonies and Party Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in Thanksgiving
Tuesday, April 27 th	<u>Lectionary based Catechesis – focus on the Sunday Gospel</u> “Peace be with you!” Jesus gives the Apostles the ministry of Reconciliation Resurrection Appearances of Jesus
<u>May</u>	
Tuesday, May 4 th	Church History <u>Lectionary – readings for Sunday (Lectio)</u>
Tuesday, May 11 th	The Sacramental Life and Devotional Life of the Church Parish Life and Stewardship – giving back to God my gifts of time, talent and treasure Make a return to God by supporting His Church <u>Lectionary – readings for Sunday (Lectio)</u>
Tuesday, May 18 th	Newly baptized prepare for and receive the Sacrament of Confession <u>Lectionary – readings for Sunday (Lectio)</u>
<u>Thursday, May 20th</u>	<u>Ascension Thursday – Holy Day</u>
Tuesday, May 25 th	Becoming a Saint The Catholic Worldview Lectionary – readings for Sunday (Lectio) Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in preparation for Pentecost.
<u>Sunday, May 30th</u>	<u>Pentecost Sunday</u>

Bible Study through the summer

4 – week Bible Study on the Gospel of John

ask participants to read one chapter a night

using Lectio Divina each week for a meditation

1. The wedding at Cana
2. Woman caught in adultery
3. The Crucifixion (John 19: 17-37)
4. The Resurrection (John 20: 1-18)

catechesis for each week:

1. Multiplication of the loaves and the Bread of Life Discourse (John 6)
2. The Holy Spirit (John Chapters 14, 15, 16)
3. The trial, Crucifixion and death of Jesus (John 19: 1-42)

Video: Shroud of Turin

4. The Resurrection of Jesus from the dead (John Chapters 20 and 21)

Video: Roll Away the Stone

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8 week Bible Study from Adam to Jesus

Bible Timeline with a focus on a Biblical person each week and how this relates to us.

Abraham – Faith

Joseph – Forgiveness

Moses – Obedience – Passover and the Crossing the Red Sea

God's Gift of the Law – the Ten Commandments

David – Sin and Repentance in Psalm 51

Solomon – Building the Temple

Jeremiah – Commitment

The Fiery Furnace – We need a Savior