

Corpus Christi Catholic Church

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ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

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“Seek what is better than you are so that you can be made better by it. If you desire gold, you may or may not attain it. But you can always possess God whenever you wish. Desire God so that you may have Him, and then finally you will be truly happy.”
- Saint Augustine

**Are you seeking God and desire to know and love Him more fully?
We invite you to come to OCIA!**

Weekly OCIA classes are held on Monday nights beginning September 16th, 2024
6PM - 7:15PM
St Paul VI Catholic High School, 42341 Braddock Rd,
Chantilly, VA

For more information, visit our website at www.corpuschristisr.org or contact ocia@corpuschristisr.org

OCIA is the process by which adults who are interested in becoming Catholic receive instruction in the faith (catechesis) in preparation to receive the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Communion) at the Easter Vigil each year.

Adults seeking baptism and those who have been baptized in other Christian faith communities as well as baptized Catholics who need to complete their Sacraments are included.

Won't you join us?

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THE FOUR PILLARS OF CATECHESIS

Catechesis is an education in the faith which includes especially the teaching of Christian doctrine imparted in an organic and systematic way. Our plan of teaching the faith is built on these four pillars as outlined in the Catechism of the Catholic Church:

PART ONE: The baptismal profession of faith (the Creed) which summarizes the gifts that God gives to man: as the Author of all that is good; as Redeemer; and as Sanctifier – and develops our faith in the one God; the almighty Father, the Creator; his Son Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior; and the Holy Spirit, the Sanctifier, in the One, Holy, Catholic and Apostolic Church.

PART TWO: The sacraments of faith which explains how God's salvation, accomplished once for all through Christ Jesus and the Holy Spirit, is made present in the sacred actions of the Church's liturgy, especially in the seven sacraments.

PART THREE: The life of faith (the Commandments) which deals with the final end of man created in the image of God: beatitude, and the ways of reaching it – through right conduct freely chosen, with the help of God's law and grace, and through conduct that fulfills the twofold commandment of charity.

PART FOUR: The prayer of the believer (the Lord's Prayer) deals with the meaning and importance of prayer in the life of believers.

ABOVE ALL ELSE, THE AIM OF THIS CATECHESIS AND THE WHOLE CONCERN OF DOCTRINE AND ITS
TEACHING ARE DIRECTED TO THE LOVE THAT NEVER ENDS -
LOVE OF OUR LORD.
