

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

**POSSIBLE DOCTRINAL TOPICS FOR
LITURGICALLY-BASED CATECHESIS**

YEAR B

First Sunday of Advent (Nov. 30, 2008)	Advent; The Second Coming; Parousia; Liturgical Year
Second Sunday of Advent (Dec. 7, 2008)	Confession of Sins; Jesus' coming-past, present, future Conversion Nonviolence
Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception (Dec. 8, 2008)	Immaculate Conception of Mary
Third Sunday of Advent (Dec. 14, 2008)	Discernment; Repentance & Reconciliation; Discipleship; Eschatology
Fourth Sunday of Advent (Dec. 21, 2008)	Incarnation Mary, model of the Church Faith Reign of God
Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)	Incarnation; Manifestation; Christology
Holy Family (Dec. 28, 2008)	Responsibilities & Gifts of Family Life- Fourth Commandment; Manifestation; Incarnation; Law and the Prophets
Mary, Mother of God (Jan. 1, 2009)	Mary's role as disciple; Mary, Mother of God (Theotokos); Salvation
Epiphany (Jan. 4, 2009)	Universal offer of Salvation Ecumenism Missiology; Christology;
Baptism of the Lord (Jan. 11, 2009)	Baptism & Mission; Trinity; Sacraments; Conversion
Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (Jan. 18, 2009)	Vocation; Paschal Mystery; Christology; Conversion

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (Jan. 25, 2009)	Sin and Repentance; Conversion; Discipleship; Jesus Christ as Teacher, Healer, Son of God
Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Feb. 1, 2009)	Jesus as Prophet, Teacher, and Lord Sacraments of Healing and Reconciliation; Human Dignity; Ecumenism
Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time (February 8, 2009)	The Problem of Evil; Mystery of Suffering; Salvation; Ministry of Healing
Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time (February 15, 2009)	Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick Healing; Dignity of the Human Person
Seventh Sunday of Ordinary Time (February 22, 2009)	The Sacrament of Reconciliation Social Justice Reign of God
Ash Wednesday (Feb. 25, 2009)	Lent; Conversion; Fasting; Reconciliation
First Sunday of Lent (March 1, 2009) (*The First Sunday of Lent marks the beginning of the Period of Purification and Enlightenment for those to be baptized at the Easter Vigil. Therefore, these weeks of immediate preparation take on a different character for the Elect. Sessions for the Elect should consist more of interior reflection than catechetical instruction.) (cf. RCIA, no. 139)	Baptismal Covenant; Season of Lent Sin; Grace; Prayer, Fasting & Almsgiving *Election – for those being baptized at the Easter Vigil
Second Sunday of Lent (March 8, 2009) (See note above for those in the Period of Purification and Enlightenment.)	Sacrifice; Call of Baptism Paschal Mystery Nonviolence
Third Sunday of Lent (March 15, 2009) First Scrutiny (Cycle A Readings) (For those to be baptized at the Easter Vigil.)	Faith as a Gift Grace & Sin Social Dimension of Sin Baptism
Fourth Sunday of Lent (March 22, 2009) Second Scrutiny (Cycle A Readings) (For those to be baptized at the Easter Vigil.)	Original Sin and Social Sin; Sin – personal and corporate Conversion Election
Fifth Sunday of Lent (March 29, 2009) Third Scrutiny (Cycle A Readings) (For those to be baptized at the Easter Vigil.)	Paschal Mystery in the Sacraments; Eternal Life; Soteriology Jesus the Christ
Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion (April 5, 2009)	The Gift of Perseverance; Paschal Mystery; Redemptive suffering

Holy Thursday (April 9, 2009)	Eucharist –bread and wine; Washing of Feet; Cross; Triduum; Christology
Easter Vigil/Easter (April 11/12, 2009)	Resurrection; Paschal Mystery Baptism/Confirmation/Eucharist; Community; Fire/Light/Water/Oil
Second Sunday of Easter (April 19, 2009) <i>The Easter Season is dedicated to Mystagogy for the neophytes and the entire community of faith. It is a time when the Christian community deepens their understanding of the Paschal Mystery.</i>	The Challenge of Peace; Paschal Mystery; Social Teaching; Two Great Commandments
Third Sunday of Easter (April 26, 2009)	Evangelization; Eucharist; Christ Present in the Liturgy
Fourth Sunday of Easter (May 3, 2009)	Trinity; Jesus the Good Shepherd; Sacramentality; Faith; Grace
Fifth Sunday of Easter (May 10, 2009)	The Church as Body of Christ; Mystery of the Church; Service and Servanthood; Evangelization
Sixth Sunday of Easter (May 17, 2009)	Love, the Soul of an Apostolate Moral Living; Justice; Baptism Sacraments: Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist, Penance, Anointing of the Sick
Ascension (May 24, 2009)	Ascension; Christology; Trinity; Discipleship; Sacraments: Holy Orders, Marriage
Pentecost (May 31, 2009)	The Holy Spirit and Confirmation; Ministry in the Church; Symbols of the Church; Laying of Hands
Trinity Sunday (June 7, 2009)	Trinity: Father, Son and Spirit; Paschal Mystery Images of God
Most Holy Body and Blood (June 14, 2009)	The Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist; Corpus Christi; Eucharist as forgiveness of Sins; Symbol of Bread and Wine
<i>Because of the way the liturgical calendar is set for 2009, the 8th, 9th, 10th, and 11th Sundays of Ordinary Time are omitted.</i>	

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time (June 21, 2009)	The Power of God; Faith; Miracles and Signs; Manifestation; Service/Ministry
Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (June 28, 2009)	Sanctity of Human Life; Resurrection; Healing; Dignity of the Human Person Reign of God
Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (July 5, 2009)	Prophecy; Christology; Conversion; Mystery of Suffering; Prophets Paschal Mystery
Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (July 12, 2009)	Election and Mission; Baptismal Call: Priest, Prophet, King; Hospitality; Sacraments Symbols
Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (July 19, 2009)	Pastoral Ministry in the Church Prayer-action-contemplation; Evangelization; Liturgy of the Word Jesus, the Good Shepherd
Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (July 26, 2009)	Unity of the Church and Ecumenism Eucharist; Jesus, the Bread of Life; Justice, Social Teaching
Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Aug. 2, 2009)	Eucharistic Celebration; Hope and Trust; Jesus, the Messiah; Eschatological reign of God
Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Aug. 9, 2009)	Eucharist as Sacrifice and Sacrament; Moral Decision Making; Discipleship; Conversion
Solemnity of the Assumption (Aug. 15) <i>(Not Holy Day of Obligation)</i>	Mary, Mother of God; The Assumption of Mary; Mary, symbol of the Church
Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Aug. 16, 2009)	The continuing Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist; Symbols of Bread and Wine; Holy Spirit; Genesis of Church at Calvary
Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time (Aug. 23, 2009)	Faith; Liturgy; Word of God; Salvation; Reign of God

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time (Aug. 30, 2009)	Principles of Morality; Scripture; Church Structure; Commandments
Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time (Sept. 6, 2009)	Catholic Social Teaching; Healing; Sacraments of Healing and Reconciliation; Ministry of the Word
Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Sept. 13, 2009)	What is a Profession of Faith; Paschal Mystery; Cross; Mystery of Suffering; Christian Witness
Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Sept. 20, 2009)	The Call to Service; Servanthood; Ministry; Nonviolence; Cross
Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Sept. 27, 2009)	Catholic Social Teaching (Economic Activity); Dignity of human persons; Vatican II teachings on non-Christians; Christian Community; Peace & Unity
Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (Oct. 4, 2009)	Marriage, Divorce, and Annulment; Creation; Kingdom of God; Christian Family; Paschal mystery
Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Oct. 11, 2009)	Word of God/Revelation; Justice; Preferential option for the poor; Moral Teaching; Beatitudes
Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Oct. 18, 2009)	Redemption by Christ's Suffering; Service; Way of the Cross; Christology; Salvation; Soteriology
Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Oct. 25, 2009)	Holy Orders and the Common Priesthood of the Baptized; Conversion; The mission and reign of Christ; Discipleship
All Saints (Nov. 1, 2009) <i>(Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time omitted)</i>	The Communion of Saints; Eschatology; Kingdom of God; Soteriology
Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time (November 8, 2009)	Stewardship; Social Sin; Justice; Morality; Faith; Paschal Mystery
Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time (Nov. 15, 2009)	Final judgment; Parousia; Eschatology; Symbol of the Cross
Our Lord Jesus, Christ the King (Nov. 22, 2009)	Christ the King; Christology; Book of Revelation; Heaven; Hell; Cost of Discipleship

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