

**2018-19 R.C.I.A. Calendar**  
**Year B to C**

**2018**

- Nov. 4 Retreat I, 11am – 1:30 PM **\*\*Mandatory\*\***  
Preparation for Rite of Welcome ***“Return to Standard Time – Set Clocks back.”***
- Nov. 11 Thirty-second Sunday/Ordinary Time Theme: Can We Trust God  
**\*\*Rite of Welcome/Acceptance - 9:30 AM Mass \*\*Mandatory\*\***  
Gospel: Mark 12:38--44 Topic: Salvation  
CU: “What is the Kingdom of God” (C0980) Color: Green  
Next week: pp 12-13
- Nov. 18 Thirty-third Sunday/Ordinary Time Theme: The Last Things  
Gospel: Mark 13:24-32 Topic: Eschatology/Saints  
CU: “The last things: Death, Judgment, Heaven & Hell” (C0593)  
“Saints Holy and Human” (C1098) Color: Green  
**\*\* Choosing a Patron Saint \*\***  
Next week: pp 11-12
- Nov. 25 Christ the King Theme: Where is the Kingdom  
Gospel: John 18: 33b-37 Topic: Jesus  
**\*\*No Meeting\*\* Thanksgiving Holiday\*\***  
CU: “Jesus the Jew” (1208)  
“Jesus Christ: Why the Word Became Flesh” (C0101)  
Next week: (Dec. 2) pg. 51 Color: White

**YEAR C**

- Dec. 2 First Sunday of Advent  
Gospel: Luke 21:25-28, 34-36 Color: Violet  
CU: Advent  
Next week: pp 15-16 Advent-week one-read Page 51
- Dec. 9 Second Sunday of Advent Theme: Openness and Humility  
Gospel: Luke 3:1-6 Topic: Mary  
CU: “In Search of the Real Mary” (C0501) Color: Violet  
“Mary of Nazareth: Jesus’ Mother, Our Mother (C0591) Advent wreath/candle  
Next week: pp 28-29 Advent-week two-read Page 51
- Dec. 16 Third Sunday of Advent (Gaudete) Theme: Responding to God  
Gospel: Luke 3:10-18 Topic: Justice & Peace  
CU: “100 Years of Catholic Social Teaching” (C1190) Color: Violet/Rose  
Next week: pp 18-19 Advent wreath/candle  
Advent-week three-read Page 52
- Dec. 23 Fourth Sunday of Advent Theme: Preparation for His Coming  
Gospel: Luke 1:39-45 Topic: The Sacraments  
CU: “Sacraments: It All Starts with Jesus (C0893) Color Violet  
“What are the Sacraments” (C0895)  
“Sacramentals: Embracing God Through Creation” (C0895) Advent wreath/candle  
Next week (Jan 6): pp 19-21 Advent-week four-read Page 52

Dec. 30      Feast of the Holy Family  
**\*\*No Meeting Christmas Holiday\*\***  
 Gospel Luke 2: 41-52      Color: White  
 Next week (Jan 10): pp 19-21      Christmas-week one-read Page 52

**2019**

Jan. 6      Epiphany  
**\*\*No Meeting\*\* New Year Holiday**  
 Gospel: Matthew 2:1-12      Color: White  
 Next week (Jan 13): pp 19-21      Christmas-week three-read Page 53

Jan. 13      Baptism of the Lord      Theme: Recognizing God's Grace  
 Gospel: Luke 3:15-16,21-22      Topic: Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism/Confirmation/Eucharist  
 CU: "Sacraments of Initiation: God's I Love You" (C0409)  
 "Sacraments of Initiation: Sacraments of Invitation" (C0301)      Color: White  
 "Sacrament of Baptism" (C0389)  
 "Confirmation: Deepening Our Christian Identity" (C1095)  
 Next week: pp 24-26

Jan. 20      Second Sunday/Ordinary Time      Theme: Gifts of the Spirit  
 Gospel: John 2:1-11      Topic: Sacraments of Service: Marriage/Holy Orders  
 CU: "Sacrament of Marriage: Sign of Faithful Love (C0596)  
 "Sacrament of Holy Orders" (C0797)      Color: Green  
 Next week: pp 22-24

Jan. 27      Third Sunday/Ordinary Time      Theme: Law and Gospel  
 Gospel: Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21      Topic: Sacraments of Healing:  
 CU: "The Sacrament of Reconciliation:      Reconciliation & Anointing of the Sick  
 Celebrating the Mercy of God" (C0609)  
 "Anointing the Sick: A Parish Sacrament" (C0196)  
 Next week: pp 21-22      Color: Green

Feb. 3      Fourth Sunday/Ordinary Time      Theme: Love Revisited  
 Gospel: Luke 4:21-30      Topic: Eucharist  
 CU: "Finding Jesus in the Eucharist" (C0705)  
 "Eucharist: Heart of the Church" (C1003)      Color: Green  
 Next week: (Feb. 10) pp 10-11

Feb. 10      Fifth Sunday/Ordinary Time      Theme:  
 Gospel: Luke 5: 1-11      Topic: Trinity  
 CU: Trinity: Mystery at the Heart of Life      Color: Green  
 Next Week: pp 13-14

Feb. 17      Sixth Sunday/Ordinary Time  
 Gospel: Luke 6: 17, 20-26      Topic: Holy Spirit  
 CU: Who is the Holy Spirit?      Color: Green  
 Next Week: pp 11-12

- Feb. 24      Seventh Sunday/Ordinary Time  
 Gospel: Luke 6: 27-38  
 CU: Conversion: Being Born Again & Again  
 Topic: Conversion: The Power of Grace  
 Color: Green
- Mar. 3      Eighth Sunday/Ordinary Time  
 Gospel: Luke 6: 39-45  
 Color: Green  
**\*\*No Meeting\*\* Mardi Gras Holiday**  
**Next week: Saturday Mar. 9 - RETREAT II – Saturday 12:30 – 3:30**  
**RITE OF SENDING – Saturday 4:00 Mass**  
**Sunday Mar. 10 - RITE OF ELECTION –**  
**St. Joseph Cathedral, Baton Rouge 4:00 PM**
- Mar. 6      Ash Wednesday  
**\*\*Must attend Mass either 7AM, NOON, or 6 PM\*\***
- Mar. 9      **Retreat II, 12:30 PM – 3:30PM**      **\*\*Retreat & Rite are Mandatory\*\***  
 Preparation for the Rite of Sending/Election  
**Rite of Sending – Holy Ghost Church 4:00 PM Mass**      Color: Violet  
**\*\*Preparation for Penitential Rite (Mar. 17 at 9:30am Mass)\*\***  
 Gospel: Luke 4:1-13
- Mar. 10      First Sunday of Lent      *Meet at 2pm in the R.C.I.A. Room (if carpooling)*      Theme: Lent  
**Rite of Election – St. Joseph Cathedral (BR) 4:00 PM**  
*(be in Baton Rouge by 3:30pm, seated by 3:45pm)*  
**\*\*Reminder: Must have name of Patron Saint next week**      Color: Violet  
 Next week: pp 33-34
- Mar. 17      Second Sunday of Lent      Theme: Righteousness & Faith  
**Penitential Rite – Holy Ghost Church 9:30 AM Mass**      Topic: Walking in the Light of Faith  
**\*\*Preparation for First Scrutiny \*\***  
 Gospel: Luke 9:28-36  
 CU: “Lent A Journey to the Inner Self” (C0291)      Color: Violet  
**\*\*Reminder: Must have name of Patron Saint this week\*\***  
 Next week: pp 34-35
- Mar. 24      Third Sunday of Lent      Theme: Changing Our Hearts  
**First Scrutiny – Holy Ghost Church 9:30 AM Mass**      Topic: Creed  
**\*\*Preparation for Second Scrutiny\*\***  
**\*\*Presentation of the Creed\*\***      Color: Violet  
 Gospel: John 4:5-42  
 CU: “The Creed – Gateway to Grace” (C0909)  
 “Lenten Stories From John’s Gospel” (C0396)  
 Next week: pp 35-36

- Mar. 31 Fourth Sunday of Lent (Laetare Sunday) **\*\*Seder Meal\*\*** Theme: Receiving Sight  
**Second Scrutiny – Holy Ghost Church 9:30 AM Mass**  
**\*\*Preparation for Third Scrutiny\*\***  
 Gospel: John 9:1-41 Color: Rose  
 CU: “In the Desert with Jesus: Biblical Themes of Lent” (C0205)  
 Next week: pp 36-37
- Apr. 7 Fifth Sunday of Lent Theme: Dying & Rising in Christ  
**Third Scrutiny – Holy Ghost Church 9:30 AM Mass** Topic: The Lord’s Prayer  
**\*\*Presentation of the Lord’s Prayer\*\*** Color: Violet  
 Gospel: John 11:1-45  
 CU: “Our Father the Prayer that Jesus taught Us” (C1296)  
 Next week: pp 37
- April 14 Palm Sunday Theme: Looking at Jesus  
**\*\*Retreat III: 11am to 2pm, Mandatory attendance\*\*** Topic: Passover  
 Gospel: Luke 22:14 - 23  
 CU: “The Paschal Mystery: God’s Wonderful Plan (C0312)  
 “The Lord’s Supper: Ancient Story/New Beginning” (C0411) Color: Red
- April 17 Blessing of the Chrism **\*\*Not Mandatory\*\***  
 St. Joseph’s Cathedral, Baton Rouge – 11:30 AM
- April 18 Holy Thursday/Washing of the Feet – Holy Ghost Church – 7:00PM  
**\*\*Mandatory Attendance\*\*** **\*\*Catechumens will be dismissed\*\*** Color White
- April 19 Good Friday  
 Outdoor Stations of the Cross – Holy Ghost Church NOON **\*\*Mandatory Attendance\*\***  
 Veneration of the Cross – Holy Ghost Church – 3PM **\*\*Mandatory Attendance\*\*** Color: Red
- April 20 Holy Saturday  
**Practice for Vigil: 9am to 10:30am, meet in the church**  
**Easter Vigil 8:00PM \*\*Meet in the R.C.I.A. room by 7:15 PM** Color: White
- April 21 Easter Sunday  
**\*\*No Meeting\*\***

**Week of April 28<sup>th</sup>**—Potluck dinner with all of the neophytes (and families), date/time to be determined.