

**NOTES FOR LENT and TRIDUUM 2025**  
*Office for Divine Worship*

**ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (OCIA)**

Please note that as of Ash Wednesday, March 5, the only approved text for use with the RCIA/OCIA and its rites, is the *Revised Order of Christian Initiation of Adults*.

***Rites of Election are scheduled for March 9 & 16*** at Holy Name Cathedral. Forms were sent in the ArchLink email in January.

***Scrutinies of the Elect in the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults*** are celebrated on the third, fourth and fifth Sundays of Lent (March 23, March 30, April 6). The Scrutinies are major Rites for the Elect and all three of the Scrutinies are required – none of them may be omitted, and only the Bishop can dispense from them.

The Scrutinies are meant *for the unbaptized*. It is not appropriate for a member of the baptized to take part in the Scrutinies. However, the ***Penitential Rite (Part II chapter 5 of the OCIA)*** can be celebrated with the baptized.

***Holy Week*** (April 13 - 19) takes precedence over every other observance on the liturgical Calendar.

***The Chrism Mass*** is scheduled for Tuesday, April 15 at 2:30pm. Holy Oils can be obtained after the Mass or at the rectory of Holy Name Cathedral.

**The Sacred Triduum, April 17 - 20**

***Good Friday and Holy Saturday*** (April 18 & 19): All celebration of the sacraments on these days is strictly prohibited, except for the Sacraments of Penance and Anointing of the Sick.

***Time of the Easter Vigil***: Sunset on April 19 is 7:37 p.m., thus the Easter Vigil should begin no earlier than 8 p.m.

***The Octave of Easter (Easter Week)*** – April 20 – 27 – takes precedence over every other observance on the liturgical calendar.