



Be transformed by the Renewal of your mind.

REASONS FOR FAITH NEWMAN CATECHETICAL CERTIFICATE

Nine months Certificate course

Journey starts 27th September 2022

*Always be prepared to make a defense
to any one who calls you
to account for the hope that is in you,
yet do it with gentleness and reverence.*

1Pet 3:15

Learn basic principles needed to be always ready (prepared) to make an *apologia* (a defense – a reasoned explanation) for our hope in Christ Jesus. Look at specific questions & treat concrete examples. Examine Biblical arguments as well as arguments from reason.



TOPICS COVERED

- ❖ FAITH & REASON
- ❖ SCIENCE & THE EXISTENCE OF GOD
- ❖ DIVINE REVELATION & THE CANON OF SCRIPTURE
- ❖ THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN SCRIPTURE & TRADITION
- ❖ THE TRINITY AND THE DIVINITY OF CHRIST
- ❖ THE RESURRECTION OF CHRIST
- ❖ THE CHURCH FOUNDED BY CHRIST & APOSTOLIC SUCCESSION

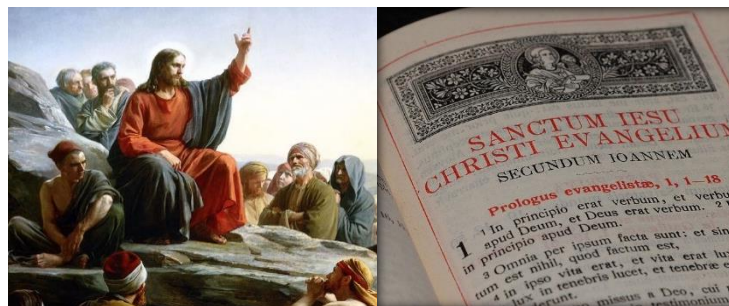
- ❖ ORIGINAL SIN & JUSTIFICATION
- ❖ THE MASS, THE SACRAMENTS, AND DIVINE GRACE
- ❖ THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
- ❖ PURGATORY
- ❖ THE SAINTS
- ❖ VENERATION OF RELICS



Learn how to give credible answers to difficult questions.

Learn how to deal with some of the most difficult questions of our time.

Discover the connections between Scripture, the Fathers of the Church, St Thomas Aquinas, and the *Catechism* on various topics. In the process of learning how to answer the questions of others, **your own faith will be edified and your hope strengthened.**



DEEPER INTO SCRIPTURE HEARING THE VOICE OF THE SAVIOUR CATECHETICAL DIPLOMA

Nine months course

Journey starts 26th September 2022

*Put out a little from the land ... Put out into the deep.
Do not be afraid; henceforth you will be catching men.*

Jesus [Lk 5:2-11]

*It is Christ Himself who speaks when
the Holy Scriptures are read in the Church.*

Vatican II: *Sacrosanctum Concilium* 7

TOPICS COVERED

- ❖ SCRIPTURE AT THE HEART OF THE NEW EVANGELIZATION & CATECHESIS
- ❖ LECTIO DIVINA
- ❖ DIVINE REVELATION & INSPIRATION OF SACRED SCRIPTURE
- ❖ BIBLICAL THEOLOGY & SALVATION HISTORY – NAVIGATING THE BIBLE
- ❖ NEW LAW/OLD LAW, NEW COVENANT/OLD COVENANT, NEW TESTAMENT/OLD TESTAMENT – WHAT DOES IT ALL MEAN? AND WHAT ABOUT LOVE?
- ❖ CATHOLIC PRINCIPLES OF SCRIPTURAL INTERPRETATION & THE 4 SENSES OF SCRIPTURE
- ❖ THE OLD TESTAMENT UNVEILED IN THE NEW
- ❖ THE GOSPELS
- ❖ JESUS' TEACHING IN PARABLES
- ❖ JESUS' TEACHING THROUGH SIGNS & MIRACLES
- ❖ JESUS' TEACHING ON EVANGELIZATION
- ❖ JESUS & DIVINE MERCY
- ❖ ENCOUNTERING CHRIST & GROWTH IN DISCIPLESHIP
- ❖ THE HOLY EUCHARIST

Learn *how* to read the Sacred Page – how to go beyond a superficial reading & begin to penetrate deeply the Word of God. Examine Catholic Principles for Scriptural Interpretation, see the overarching story of the Bible, and then focus on the Gospels and the words of Christ Jesus, who says, "These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete," (Jn 15:11) .



Discover the voice of the Saviour speaking directly to you, enter more deeply into friendship with Him, and help others to encounter Christ in Sacred Scripture and grow in discipleship.

*All Divine Scripture speaks of Christ, and all
Divine Scripture is fulfilled in Christ.*

CCC 134



☞ SPIRITUAL FORMATION ☞

ST JOHN DIPLOMA

Two year course

Journey starts 29th September 2022

“God is like a wise physician. He knows exactly what a soul needs. Sometimes He gives favours, lights, and consolations; at other times, He hides Himself... The soul who experiences this kind of darkness has not been abandoned by God; He is very close.”

DR DENISE CLARE OLIVER

Learn how to read and understand the Saints and Doctors of the Church. Discover how the Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit perfect the virtues and help us in our life of prayer. Learn about the Mystical Life and the dark nights of the soul.

TOPICS COVERED

- ❖ THE MYSTICAL LIFE & PATH OF PRAYER
- ❖ SANCTIFYING GRACE AND THE GIFT OF JUSTIFICATION
- ❖ THE PERSON OF THE HOLY SPIRIT
- ❖ THE SEVENFOLD GIFT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT
- ❖ THE INDWELLING OF THE HOLY TRINITY
- ❖ THE INFUSED THEOLOGICAL AND MORAL VIRTUES
- ❖ CONVERSION & THE STAGES OF PRAYER
- ❖ PURIFICATION OF THE SOUL
- ❖ THE DARK NIGHTS OF THE SOUL
- ❖ SPIRITUAL DIRECTION



“Advancing toward union with God is a beautiful adventure – a journey of grace; and the treasure that waits for us at the end is beyond compare,” DR D. C. OLIVER.

BEGIN YOUR ADVENTURE IN GOD!

- ☞ Enjoy Real-time Interactive Lectures & Discussions from your own home ☞
- ☞ Journey with fellow disciples from all over the world ☞
 - ☞ Discover the Joy of Learning ☞
 - ☞ Get real answers to difficult questions ☞
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 - ☞ All courses are ONLINE ☞
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DR DENISE CLARE OLIVER and DR CHRISTINA PAL (pictured here with BISHOP PHILIP EGAN, Bishop of Portsmouth) lead the teaching team for these programmes. Prior to joining

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More than a course...

A JOURNEY

AN EXPERIENCE

AN ADVENTURE IN GOD

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