

**Introduction to Orthodoxy Classes 2023 – The Orthodox Church by Ware, ed. 2015
“Catechism/Inquirer’s Class”**

Betsy and I are looking forward to hosting informal gatherings at our home on Tuesday evenings offering an introduction to the Orthodox Christian faith and life. We will use the following excerpts from Metropolitan Kallistos Ware’s book as a core for presenting and discussing the teaching of the Orthodox Church on the topics listed. (Note, if you are using an older edition of The Orthodox Church, the page numbers will not match, but the chapter and subheadings should make it clear what pages to cover.) We will meet from 7pm to 8:30. Our house is located next door to the Cathedral.

	Class / Date	Topic	<u>The Orthodox Church</u> by Ware, ed. 2015
	1 / October 3, 2023	Holy Tradition: The Source of the Orthodox Faith	Ch 10, pages 189-201
	2 / October 10, 2023	God in Trinity	Ch. 11, pages 202-212
	3 / October 17, 2023	The Human Person: Our Creation, Our Vocation, Our Failure	Ch. 11, pages 212-218
October 24 no class - Parish Council Meeting Night			
October 31 no class - Halloween			
	4 / November 7, 2023	Jesus Christ	Ch. 11, pages 218-224
	5 / November 14, 2023	“Partakers of the Divine Nature”	Ch. 11, pages 225-231
	6 / November 21, 2023	The Church of God	Ch. 12, pages 232-247
November 28 no class - Parish Council Meeting Night			
	7 / December 5, 2023	The Living and the Dead: The Mother of God: The Last Things	Ch. 12, pages 247-256
	8 / December 13, 2023	Orthodox Worship 1: The Earthly Heaven	Ch. 13, pages 257-266
Break for Christmas			
	9 / January 9, 2024	Orthodox Worship 2: The Sacraments: Baptism, Chrismation, Eucharist	Ch. 14, pages 267-281
	10 / January 16, 2024	Orthodox Worship 2: The Sacraments: Repentance, Holy Orders, Marriage, Anointing of Sick	Ch. 14, pages 281-290
	11 / January 23, 2023	Orthodox Worship 3: Feasts and Fasts and Personal Prayer	Ch. 15, pages 291-299
<i>Great Lent begins March 18.</i>			