MAT Courses Spring 2027 Schedule

Course Cost is **$20.00 per class**. Fees non-refundable, non-transferable. See FAQ's for more information.
Use the clickable links to go to the registration of particular courses.

DATES	TIMES	LOCATION	COURSES	TYPE	REGISTRATION	REGISTER BEFORE
SPRING 2027						
Course Start Date: Jan. 6 **Webinar 1:** Wed. Jan. 13 **Webinar 2:** Wed. Jan. 20 **Course End Date:** Jan. 27	Webinars 6pm-7:30pm	Online	**Catholic Identity in the Catholic School** *All Online Version*	MAT I or MAT II	Register for this Course	1/4/2027
Course Start Date: Jan. 19 **Webinar 1:** Tues. Jan. 26 **Webinar 2:** Tues. Feb. 2 **Course End Date:** Feb. 9	Webinars 6pm-7:30pm	Online	**Sacred Liturgy** *All Online Version*	MAT I	Register for this Course	1/12/2027
Course Start Date: Jan. 20 **Webinar 1:** Wed. Jan. 27 **Webinar 2:** Wed. Feb. 3 **Course End Date:** Feb. 10	Webinars 6pm-7:30pm	Online	**Wisdom Literature** *All Online Version*	MAT II	Register for this Course	1/13/2027
Course Start Date: Feb. 2 Extra week given **Webinar 1:** Tues. Feb. 16 **Webinar 2:** Tues. Feb. 23 **Course End Date:** Mar. 2	Webinars 6pm-7:30pm	Online	**Spiritual Life** *All Online Version*	MAT I	Register for this Course	1/26/2027

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Course Start Date: Feb. 3 Extra week given **Webinar 1:** Wed. Feb. 17 **Webinar 2:** Wed. Feb. 24 **Course End Date:** Mar. 3	Webinars 6pm-7:30pm	Online	**Catholic Faith** *All Online Version*	MAT I	Register for this Course	1/27/2027
Course Start Date: Feb. 4 Extra week given **Webinar 1:** Thurs. Feb. 18 **Webinar 2:** Thurs. Feb. 25 **Course End Date:** Mar. 4	Webinars 6pm-7:30pm	Online	**The Prophets** *All Online Version*	MAT II	Register for this Course	1/28/2027
Course Start Date: Feb. 23 **Webinar 1:** Tues. Mar. 2 **Webinar 2:** Tues. Mar. 9 **Course End Date:** Mar. 16	Webinars 6pm-7:30pm	Online	**Catholic Scriptures** *All Online Version*	MAT I	Register for this Course	2/16/2027
Course Start Date: Feb. 24 **Webinar 1:** Wed. Mar. 3 **Webinar 2:** Wed. Mar. 10 **Course End Date:** Mar. 17	Webinars 6pm-7:30pm	Online	**The Sacraments** *All Online Version*	MAT I	Register for this Course	2/17/2027
Course Start Date: Feb. 25 **Webinar 1:** Thurs. Mar. 4 **Webinar 2:** Thurs. Mar. 11 **Course End Date:** Mar. 18	Webinars 6pm-7:30pm	Online	**Christian Prayer** *All Online Version*	MAT I	Register for this Course	2/18/2027
Course Start Date: Mar. 24 Extra week given **Webinar 1:** Wed. Apr. 7 **Webinar 2:** Wed. Apr. 14 **Course End Date:** Apr. 21	Webinars 6pm-7:30pm	Online	**The Pentateuch** *All Online Version*	MAT II	Register for this Course	3/17/2027

Course Start Date: Mar. 25 Extra week given **Webinar 1:** Thurs. Apr. 8 **Webinar 2:** Thurs. Apr. 15 **Course End Date:** Apr. 22	Webinars 6pm-7:30pm	Online	**Catholic Morality** *All Online Version*	MAT I	Register for this Course	3/18/2027
Course Start Date: Apr. 13 **Webinar 1:** Tues. Apr. 20 **Webinar 2:** Tues. Apr. 27 **Course End Date:** May 4	Webinars 6pm-7:30pm	Online	**Catechesis 101: The Catechism of the Catholic Church** *All Online Version*	MAT I or MAT II	Register for this Course	4/6/2027
Course Start Date: Apr. 14 **Webinar 1:** Wed. Apr. 21 **Webinar 2:** Wed. Apr. 28 **Course End Date:** May 5	Webinars 6pm-7:30pm	Online	**Mariology** *All Online Version*	MAT II	Register for this Course	4/7/2027

Registration Instructions

1. To Register for a particular MAT course go to http://learncat.diobr.org/shop/ and or you can get to it from our office page https://diobr.org/ministry-and-theology-classes then click on "Go to LearnCat".
2. For questions please contact our office by emailing Michele Johnson (mjohnson@diobr.org) or Shannon Sales (ssales@diobr.org).

Frequently Asked Questions

1. **I have taken other classes but they aren't showing up on my LearnCat account. Where are my credits?**
    - Only courses taken online in the LearnCat system will be reflected in the LearnCat system. If you take a course in in-person, you will not see your credits reflected there. LearnCat is not our primary Certification Profile Database System, we use a different system to store all of your profiles. Your Site Coordinators can access your real profiles if you need to see what you've taken.
2. **Do you offer reimbursement for MAT courses if my schedule changes? What if I need to miss a class or webinar?**
    - We do not offer reimbursement or refunds for MAT courses. Fees are non-transferable unless prior approval from the Office of Evangelization & Catechesis is obtained before course cancellation and only in certain hardship circumstances. If a participant is unable to attend a course, he/she must contact our office immediately. To receive credit, one must participate in all the scheduled sessions. Make-ups of one online session are allowed, but not both sessions of a course.
3. **Can I take *Catholic Identity in the Catholic School* or *Catechesis 101: The Catechism of the Catholic Church* as either a MAT I or a MAT II level course?**
    - Yes, those courses are available to both MAT I and MAT II level participants. Depending on where a person is in his/her certification process, taking this course will count towards either Basic or Intermediate Certification.
4. **What is the structure of the Online or Hybrid MAT Courses? What will be expected of me?**
    - **Start Date:** When you first have access to the online course material. There is no meeting on this date.
    - Complete Steps 1-3 in LearnCat during this time before Session 1. It will take you about 3-3.5 hours to complete that work. The work will include reading, answering questions in the Forum, watching videos, listening to audio clips, completing quizzes, and other activities.
    - **Session 1:** Meet with instructor online or in person for 1.5 hours. Sessions cannot be missed.
    - Complete Step 5 in LearnCat during this time before Session 2. It will take you about 3-3.5 hours to complete that work. The work will include reading, answering questions in the Forum, watching videos, listening to audio clips, completing quizzes, and other activities.
    - **Session 2:** Meet with instructor online or in person for 1.5 hours. Sessions cannot be missed.
    - **End Date:** When the Concluding Exercise is due and all forums and other assignments need to be completed. Access to online course materials will be removed after this date. There is no meeting on this date.
5. **What does it mean when the schedule shows a designation of Hybrid?**
    - The Hybrid Online/In-Person courses mean that a portion of the coursework will be done online AND a portion of the coursework will be done in-person during your instructor-led sessions. This does NOT mean there's a choice to participate in the instructor-led sessions online or in person. In these instances, there is ONLY the option to attend the instructor-led sessions in person.