
CERTIFICATE IN CATHOLIC STUDIES (C.C.S.)

**CCS-048 WORSHIP AND SPIRITUALITY OF EASTERN CATHOLIC
CHURCHES**

COURSE OUTLINE

According to Archbishop Raya, spirituality is the form of life which enables a person to see the face of God. When we open ourselves to reality that is beyond our daily experiences, we enlarge the capacity of our hearts. The most intimate form of spirituality is our relationship with God as a source of love and life. This relationship between humanity and God finds its most profound reality and expression in prayer. This course will explore the worship and spirituality of Eastern Christians.

Course Structure and Highlights

Lesson One: What is Byzantium?

Lesson Two: Trinity, Source of Wondrous Love

Lesson Three: Trinity, Source of Life

Lesson Four: God – Love Present in the Cosmos, Man and Christ

Lesson Five: God – Love Appearing in the Flesh

Lesson Six: “She Who Belongs to the Lord”

Lesson Seven: God – Love in a Woman

Lesson Eight: God – Love in Renewed Creation

Lesson Nine: God’s Glory and Humanity’s Sin

Lesson Ten: Response to God - Love: Prayer

Textbooks

[Raya, Joseph M. *The Face of God*. Dimension Books, 1976.](#)

References

[The Holy Bible.](#)

Assessment

Worship and Spirituality of Eastern Christianity consists of ten lessons and ten assignments, with each assignment weighted at 10% (percent) of the total grade.

Technical Skills and Equipment Requirements

1. You must have Internet access. A high-speed connection, either ADSL or cable, is recommended.
2. You should know how to use a web browser to navigate the web to locate educational resources and download files.
3. You will need the files management skills necessary to create directories, to save files and to retrieve files.