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

CCS-049 PRAYING WITH ICONS

COURSE OUTLINE

Praying With Icons - The Greek word for icon, literally means "image, representation, or portrait" and can refer to a wide array of religious images. However, today an icon typically refers to an image of Jesus, angels, or the saints, usually painted on a wooded panel, and used for prayer. This course will introduce participants to the roots of iconography in the Eastern Church.

Course Structure and Highlights

- Lesson 1: The Family Icon
- Lesson 2: The Theology of Icons – Part One
- Lesson 3: The Theology of Icons – Part Two
- Lesson 4: The Theology of Icons – Part Three
- Lesson 5: Painting an Icon
- Lesson 6: Images and the Western Church
- Lesson 7: Religious Art Since Vatican II
- Lesson 8: The Presence and Sacramentality of Icons
- Lesson 9: Praying with Icons
- Lesson 10: Ecumenical Implications

Textbooks

[*Icons in the Western Church.*](#)

Online Articles.

References

[*The Holy Bible.*](#)

Assessment

Praying With Icons 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.