




September 2023 – To Know Christ: Praise and Worship

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
September 10 23 Sunday Ordinary Time Faith Formation: To Know Christ: Praise & Worship 5-7:30 pm	11 Liturgical Color: Ordinary time is green. Decorate your prayer space with a green cloth.	12 National Hug & High 5 Day! How many hugs and high fives can you give today?	13 Faith Formation: To Know Christ: Praise & Worship 5:30-8:00 pm	14 Praise & Worship Check out our praise and worship playlist at ssjohnpaul.org .	15 FORMED Friday: Watch <i>The Power of Call & Response in Music</i> to learn more about music as prayer on Facebook	16 St Cecilia patron of music & musicians. Her story is one of great faith. Learn more: ssjohnpaul.org
17 24 Sun Ordinary Time Join us for the KC Breakfast & community in St. Francis Hall. Free will donation. 8:30-12 pm	18 Monthly Prayer: Glory Be Make a plan to pray the <i>Glory Be</i> each morning when you get up.	19 Pray for the Pope's intentions for Sept: <i>For people living in the margins</i> . Check out the video on Facebook .	20 Youth Ministry Night. Kick off the year with JP kidz, Tweens, JYM & Teen Group. All 3rd -12th graders welcome!	21 Word of the Month Diocese: One large Church assigned to a bishop made up of smaller parish churches. Which diocese do we belong to?	22 Family Friday Share a meal together tonight and watch a movie or play a game.	23 Autumn Equinox Celebrate the 1st day of fall with a nature walk, hike or cookout. Thank God for the things you see.
24 25 Sun Ordinary Time Who did God say would be first?	25 Show kindness for our planet today! If you see trash where it doesn't belong, pick it up.	26 Pancake Day Enjoy pancakes for breakfast or supper or both!	27 Feast of St. Vincent De Paul Patron saint of charities. Bring non-perishable items for Caring Hands.	28 Terrific Trivia JP II was the people's Pope and traveled more than 775,000 miles as Pope.	29 FORMED Friday: Enjoy a list of fun songs to sing with your little ones. ssjohnpaul.org	30 Praise & Worship Check out a new Christian music radio station. Find a link on Facebook .
October 1 26 Sun Ordinary Time Spend time doing little things for God & others in honor of St Therese <i>The Little Flower</i> .	2 Feast of Holy Guardian Angels Enjoy angel food cake for a treat & pray a Guardian Angel Prayer. Facebook	3 St Gregory known for Gregorian chant. Learn more about this Saint and his music ssjohnpaul.org	4 Today marks the 40th Anniversary of SSJP. Read more about our history at Facebook	5 National Do Something Nice Day What can you do nice today?	6 Family Friday: Share one thing that was hard this week? How can your family help you with this?	7 Blessing of Animals 2 pm, in honor of the Feast of St. Francis. Meet at the Risen Christ Sculpture, south of the FDC.
8 27 Sun Ordinary Time Faith Formation: To Know Christ: Scripture 5-7:30 pm	9 October is Respect for Life Month. May we show by our words and actions that every human life is cherished and chosen.	10 Mental Health Awareness Day Father Mike Schmitz unpacks the question, "Do you want to be well?" Facebook	11 Faith Formation: To Know Christ: Scripture 5:30-8:00 pm	12	13	14
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Mark your calendar!

- ◆ **Rosary & Adoration**, Mondays, 7 pm.
- ◆ **Holy Hour** Tuesday, 6 am, Wednesday-Friday, 6 am and 8 am.
- ◆ **K of C Can & Bottle Drive, September 9-23**. Drop off beverage containers with the Iowa deposit in receptacles in the SE corner of the SSJP parking lot. Find more details at ssjohnpaul.org.
- ◆ **Ministry Fair, September 16-17 & 23-24** after Masses in Founders Hall. Learn about the ministries at SSJP and how you can get involved.
- ◆ **Knights of Columbus Breakfast, September 17**, 8:30 am-12 pm. Join us for a hot breakfast for a free-will offering.
- ◆ **Confirmation Mentor Meetings for Year 2 candidates, September 17**, 1:30-3:30 pm and 6:30-8:30 pm in the FDC.
- ◆ **Kids Choir, September 17**, 5 pm in the church for kids in grades 3-8 who would like to sing at the 5 pm Christmas Liturgy.
- ◆ **Tweens & JP Kidz meet September 20**, 6-7:30 pm in the FDC.
- ◆ **Teen Group and JYM meet September 20** at 7 pm in the FDC. Come early, at 6:30 pm for food and conversation!
- ◆ **Faith Formation Training and Planning for Catechists, September 27**, 6:30-8 pm, FDC social room
- ◆ **First Reconciliation Parent Retreat, October 1**, 12-3 pm. Gather in the church.
- ◆ **First Reconciliation Parent/Child Meeting, October 4**, 6:30 pm. We begin in the church.
- ◆ **Teen Group and JYM meet October 4** at 7 pm in the FDC. Come early, at 6:30 pm for food and conversation!
- ◆ **Blessing of Animals, October 7**, 2 pm, Risen Christ Prayer Garden by the FDC.
- ◆ **Parish Intergenerational Faith Formation LIVE, October 8 & 11**, *To Know Christ: Scripture*.

Prayer of the Month

Glory Be

Glory be to the Father
and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning
is now, and ever shall be
world without end.

Amen

St. Gregory:

Patron Saint of Music
Feast Day : September 3

St. Cecilia:

Patron Saint of Music and Musicians
Feast Day : November 22

Find additional faith formation ideas and resources by going to the parish website, www.ssjohnpaul.org, and clicking on the **Kitchen Table Faith button** in the middle of the home page. Or go directly to ssjohnpaulfaithformation.org.