

SS. John and Paul 2018-2019 G.R.A.C.E. Calendar

Growing, Responding As Catholics Everyday

Be sure to look at all 3 components of G.R.A.C.E.: 1. Monthly 2. Age Specific 3. Sacraments

1. MONTHLY G.R.A.C.E. Dates / Themes / Events:

[Sunday and Tuesday, 6:00-8:30 p.m. You must attend the evening that you signed-up for.]

<u>Date</u>	<u>Key Catechetical Area</u>	<u>Theme We Are Exploring</u>	<u>Focus</u>
September 16, 18	Scripture	Acts of the Apostles (Parable People)	Living our faith
October 14, 16	Social Justice	Respect Life...Life Issues	Respect Life Month
November 11, 13	Church History/Catholic Tradition	Music History	Participating more fully at Mass
January 13, 15	Creed	Images of God	What do we believe? Healing: Body, Mind and Soul
February 10, 12	Sacrament	Healing Ministry of Jesus	
March 10, 12	Morality	Conscience Formation	What is a properly formed conscience?
April 7, 9	Prayer & Spirituality	Intercessions and devotions...	Celebrating the Easter Season

2. AGE SPECIFIC G.R.A.C.E GATHERINGS

Junior High Gatherings: 7th & 8th Graders:

Junior High (7th/8th grade) possible dates are listed below

Day	Date	Time
Saturday	September 8th	TBA
Saturday	October 6th	
Saturday	November 3rd	TBA
Saturday	January 12th	
Saturday	March 2nd	TBA

Senior High Gatherings: 9th thru 12th Grades (Always watch the Bulletin or pick up calendar in the literature racks in front of office)

Day	Date	Time
Sunday	September 9th	kick off TBD
Sunday	September 23rd	6:30-8:30
Sat. & Sunday	Sept 29/30th	pumpkin sales
Sunday	October 7th	6:30-8:30
Sunday	October 21st	6:30-8:30
Friday	November 4th	at St. John Vianney
Sunday	November 18th	6:30-8:30
Sat. & Sunday	December 1/2nd	poinsettia sales
Sunday	December 2nd (McRest)	5:30-9:30

Early Childhood Program: *Ages 4—5 yrs. During the Sunday 9:30 a.m. Mass*

Oct 7,21,28; Nov 4,18; Dec 9,16; Jan 20, 27; Feb 3, 17, 24; March 3, 17, 24, 31

Grades 1-6 Sessions: *Mon. 5:00-6:30 p.m. or Tues. 6:00-7:30.*

Fall: *Session 1: Oct. 22/23 Session 2: Oct. 29/30, Session 3: Nov. 19/20 Session 4: Nov.26/27*
Winter: *Session 5: Jan. 28/29, Session 6: Feb. 4/5 Session 7:Feb 25/26 , Session 8: March 4/5*
Session 9: March 18/19 (dates have been revised to reflect school calendar)

Adult Formation Opportunities:

- Fall Scripture Series: Tues evenings/Wed mornings beginning September
- Spring Scripture Series: Tues evenings/Wed mornings beginning April
- Women's Scripture Reflection: 2nd and 4th Thursday of every month @9:30 am
- Men's Prayer: 2nd and 4th Saturday of every month @ 8am
- Let's Talk and Wisdom Bytes: Will be listed in the bulletin
- Women's retreat: Sunday, October 28, 2pm-7pm, Capuchin Retreat Center
- Men's retreat: Saturday, May 11, 9:00 am - 2:00 pm

The remainder of the calendar for Senior High gatherings is not complete. Please watch the bulletin, website and emails for more details!

3. SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION G.R.A.C.E. SESSIONS See reverse side.



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3. SACRAMENT PREPARATION G.R.A.C.E. SESSIONS 2018-2019

SACRAMENT OF FIRST EUCHARIST

Parent / Child Session #1: Wednesday, January 30 at 6:30 p.m.
Presentation of Candidates: Sunday, February 3 or 17 **TBD**
Parent / Child Session #2: Wednesday, February 27 at 6:30 p.m.
Parent / Child Session #3: Wednesday, March 20 at 6:30 p.m.
(make-up sessions scheduled as needed)
Eucharist Retreat: Saturday, April 13, from 10-12:30
Interviews: Tuesday, April 23, Thursday, Wednesday, April 24 and April 25 Between 4-6:30 p.m.
Celebration of First Eucharist: Sunday, May 5 at 11:30 Mass

SACRAMENT OF FIRST RECONCILIATION

Parent / Child Session #1: Wednesday, September 19 at 6:30 p.m.
Parent / Child Session #2: Wednesday, October 17 at 6:30 p.m.
Reconciliation Retreat: Saturday, November 10 from 10:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Interviews: Wednesday, November 14 or 28; Thursday, November 15 or 29 4:00-6:30 p.m.
(make-up sessions scheduled as needed)
Celebration of the Sacrament: Tuesday, December 4 at 7:00 p.m.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

For all those who are in the process of preparing for Confirmation for the fall of 2018. Preparation began in the Spring of 20178

Candidate Session: Saturday, September 15th.: Session begins right after 5:00 p.m. Mass
Candidate Session
Retreat Saturday, October 14th: Session begins right after 5:00 p.m. Mass
Saturday, November 10th 12:00-6:00 p.m. Includes Mass
Candidate Final Interview: Thursday, November 15th 3:00-7:30 p.m. OR Monday, November 19th 3:00-6:00. OR November 20th 3:00-4:30 p.m.
Candidates must call to schedule their interview.
Tentative Dates:
Rehearsal: Wednesday, November 28th 6:30-8:00 p.m. beginning with dinner
Celebration of the Sacrament: Sunday, December 9th with Mass at 1:30 p.m.

R.C.I.A. for Families with Children

Preparation for the Rite of Christian Initiation for families with children who are in need of sacraments and have had little or no previous religious formation. Scheduled as needed. Call Kathryn Locke for information 586-781-9488 ext.14

R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Preparation sessions for the reception of the Sacraments of Initiation are scheduled as needed. Dismissal during weekend Masses will begin in October. Call Bridget Theodoroff for information. 586-781-9010 ext. 12

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM This sacrament takes place during the scheduled weekend Masses. Dates of scheduled baptisms:

July 22: 9:30 a.m. Mass August 25 5:00 (Outdoor)
September 16: 11:30 a.m. Mass October 21: 9:30 am. Mass
November 17: 5:00 p.m. Mass December 16: 11:30 a.m. Mass
January 20: 9:30 a.m. Mass February 16: 5:00p.m. Mass
April 21 (Easter): 9:30 a.m. or 11:30 a.m. Mass
May 19: 9:30 a.m. Mass June 16: 11:30 a.m. Mass

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

Couples meet several times with the pastor or pastoral associate and also attend a marriage preparation weekend/series of talks. These options and dates are laid out at the first meeting, which ordinarily should take place up to one year prior to the marriage. As part of the marriage prep process couples are expected to attend at least two of the monthly G.R.A.C.E. sessions in order to open up conversation on matters of faith and prayer in their lives.

