

**SS. John and Paul 2020-2021 G.R.A.C.E. Calendar**  
*Growing, Responding As Catholics Everyday*

**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 13 & 15 September 27 & 29	Scripture	<b>Miracles of Jesus</b>	Seeing miracles in ordinary people
October 11 & 13 October 25 & 27	Social Justice	<b>Human Dignity</b>	Respect Life Month
November 15 & 17 November 29, 30 & Dec 1	TBD Advent	<b>TBD</b> <b>Advent Retreat</b>	TBD Preparing for Christmas
January 17 & 19 January 31 & Feb 2	Prayer & Spirituality	<b>Catholic Prayers &amp; Devotions</b>	Adoration/Our Lady of Perpetual Help
February 14 & 16 February 28 & Mar 2	Morality	<b>Love of God and neighbor</b>	Justice Events & Service
March 7 & 9 March 21 & 23	Sacraments	<b>Reconciliation/Forgiveness</b>	Reconciliation Service
April 11 & 13 April 25 & 27	Creed	<b>Resurrection/Hope</b>	Easter Season

**Adult Formation Opportunities:**

- Fall Scripture Series: Tues evenings/Wed mornings beginning September (tentative)
- Spring Scripture Series: Tues evenings/Wed mornings beginning April (tentative)
- 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 offered throughout the year on the second G.R.A.C.E. night of the month (Sept. 27 & 29, Oct. 25 & 27, Jan. 31 & Feb. 2, Feb. 28 & Mar. 2, April 25 & 27)
- Women's retreat: Sunday, October 25, 2pm-7pm, (Tentative)
- Men's retreat: Sunday, April 25, 2:00 pm-7pm, (Tentative)

**SACRAMENT PREPARATION G.R.A.C.E. SESSIONS 2020-2021**

**SACRAMENT OF FIRST EUCHARIST**

**Parent / Child Session #1:** Wednesday, January 20 at 6:30 p.m.  
**Parent / Child Session #2:** Wednesday, February 24 at 6:30 p.m.  
**Parent / Child Session #3:** Wednesday, March 24 at 6:30 p.m.  
 (make-up sessions scheduled as needed)  
**Eucharist Retreat:** Saturday, April 17, 10:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m.  
**Interviews:** Monday, April 19, Tuesday, April 20,  
 Monday April 26, Tuesday April 27,  
 Wednesday April 28 Between 4-6:30 p.m.  
**Celebration of First Eucharist:** Sunday, May 16 (**Tentative**)

**SACRAMENT OF FIRST RECONCILIATION**

**Parent / Child Session #1:** Wednesday, September 30 at 6:30 p.m.  
**Parent / Child Session #2:** Wednesday, October 21 at 6:30 p.m.  
**Reconciliation Retreat:** Saturday, November 21 10:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m.  
 (make-up sessions scheduled as needed)  
**Interviews:** **Monday,** November 23, Tuesday, November 24,  
 Monday, November 30, Tuesday, December 1 and  
 Wednesday, December 2  
**Celebration of the Sacrament:** Tuesday, December 8 at 7:00 p.m.

**SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION**

**7&8th Grade:** Saturday, September 12 Parent and Student Session 10-Noon  
 Saturday, October 17 Chosen Session 6:30 Hunger/Poverty Meal  
 Saturday, November 7 Chosen Session 10-Noon  
 Saturday, January 23 Chosen Session 10-Noon

**7th Grade:** Saturday, February 13 10-Noon  
 Saturday, March 27 10-Noon  
 Saturday, April 24 10-Noon  
 Saturday, May 22 10-Noon  
 Saturday, June 12 10-Noon (Tentative)

**8th Grade:** Sunday, February 28 6:30-8:30p.m.  
 Sunday, March 7 6:30-8:30 p.m.  
 Sunday, April 25 6:30-8:30 p.m.  
 Sunday, May 23 6:30-8:30 p.m.  
 Sunday, June 13 6:30-8:30 p.m. (tentative)

**9th Grade: (2020)**  
 Sunday, September 6 Session 6:30-8:30 p.m.  
 Sunday, September 27 Session 6:30-8:30 p.m.  
 Sunday, October 4 Fall Fun Day More Info to follow

**Tentative Dates:**  
**Confirmation Retreat** August/September (TBD)  
**Rehearsal:** **Late October or Early November**  
**Celebration of the Sacrament:** **October 25 at 11:30 Mass**

**9th Grade: (2021)**  
 Sunday, September 12 Session 6:30-8:30p.m.  
 August/September Confirmation Retreat (TBD)  
 Sunday, September 26  
 Sunday, October 3 Fall Fun Day More Info to follow  
 Sunday, Oct 10 or 17 (TBD)

**Tentative Dates:**  
**Rehearsal:** **Late October or Early November**  
**Celebration of the Sacrament:** **Late October or Early November**

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

This sacrament takes place during the scheduled weekend Masses.

2020	April 18th —11:30am
July 19th —9:30am	May 16th —9:30am
August 15th —5:00pm	June 20th —11:30am
(outdoorMass)	July 18th —9:30am
September 20—11:30 am	August 14th —5:00pm
October 18th—9:30	(outdoorMass)
November 15th—5:00pm	September 19th—11:30 am
December 20th—11:30am	October 17th—9:30
	November 14th—5:00pm
	December 12th—11:30am

2021  
 January 17 th—9:30am  
 February 13th—5:00pm  
 March 21th—9:30 am

**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 Matt Hunt for information. 586-781-9010 ext. 12

**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.