

SEPTEMBER 2026

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VIRTUE OF THE MONTH

Welcome to the 2026-27 school year! This month we are celebrating the monthly virtue: **HOPE**. Trusting in God's loving plan. *"Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not rely on your own insight. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths"* (Proverbs 3:5-6).

Throughout September Kolbe students will learn about hope through these inspiring exemplars: **St. Joseph, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, and Sts. Louis and Zélie Martin.**

We are called as parents and teachers to instill these virtues into our homes and community as well. Here are a few creative ideas to help you, your family, and community celebrate and live the mystery of Christ throughout the Liturgical Year.

Ad maiorem Dei gloriam!

LITURGICAL LIVING AT HOME

Elementary

- Christian **hope** does not mean making a wish or wanting something. It means knowing for sure that God loves us and will bring us to heaven if we follow Him. Draw a picture of heaven and describe it to your parents.
- **St. Elizabeth Ann Seton** established the first free Catholic school for girls in the U.S. To honor her legacy, consider collecting notebooks, pencils, or other school supplies and donate them to a local charity serving children in need.

Middle School

- **Write a poem** about how our lives on earth are a journey to heaven, our true home.
- **Sts. Louis and Zélie Martin** were drawn to the religious life in their early years. Then God led them to marry and raise nine children, one of whom was St. Thérèse of Lisieux (the "Little Flower"). Pray each night this month, asking God to reveal your vocation and how He is calling you to give your life to serve and follow Him.



SEPTEMBER feast days

St. Gregory
the Great
(September 3)

St. Peter Claver
(September 9)

The Nativity of the
Blessed Virgin Mary
(September 8)

St. Matthew
(September 21)

For a complete list see the
**September Feast Day
Calendar** below.

LET US Pray

PRAYER FOR THE FEAST OF THE NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Impart to your servants, we pray, O Lord, the gift of heavenly grace, that the feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin may bring deeper peace to those for whom the birth of her Son was the dawning of salvation. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

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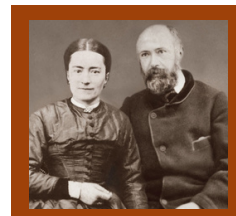
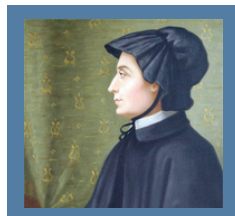
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SEPTEMBER FEAST DAY CALENDAR

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3 St. Gregory the Great	4	5
6	7	8 The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary	9 St. Peter Claver	10	11	12
13	14 The Exaltation of the Holy Cross	15 Our Lady of Sorrows	16 St. Cornelius	17	18	19
20	21 St. Matthew	22	23 St. Pius of Pietrelcina	24	25	26
27	28	29 Sts. Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael, Archangles	30 St. Jerome			



St. Joseph, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, and Sts. Louis and Zélie,
pray for us

NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, *September 8th*

September 8th marks the birthday of Mary, the Mother of Jesus! To honor the Blessed Mother, we can celebrate like a special birthday and give Mary thoughtful gifts. **Use the lines below to share ideas you'd like to do as a family this month as an honor and gift to Mary.**

Some ideas include: making paper flowers and writing heartfelt prayers on them, singing cheerful hymns in her honor, praying the rosary together, baking a special birthday cake, reading about Mary's fiat, or performing a kind deed for someone else. Use your imagination and make this celebration for our Blessed Mother meaningful and fun!



