



**Minnesota Area, Sovereign Military Hospitaller Order of Saint John of Jerusalem, of Rhodes and Malta**  
**August 2023 through June 2024 Calendar - As of September 2023**

“The purpose of the Order is the promotion of the glory of God through the sanctification of its Members through the *tuitio fidei* and *obsequium pauperum*.”<sup>1</sup> All Members, Associates, Auxiliary, and those in formation to become members are encouraged to participate in local works of the Order, selecting something from each category:

**Personal sanctification and defense of the Faith:**

1. First in priority in this category is attending the local celebration of our patronal feast, the Nativity of Saint John the Baptist. Please book the evening of Monday, June 24, 2024 for this.
2. Next, our Area retreats will be Sunday, October 15<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, March 2.
3. Finally, our Area First Saturday events provide an opportunity to complete the First Saturday devotion along with other members of our local area, with opportunities for education and community after each Mass.

**Service to the Sick and the Poor:**

- Every fourth Friday of the month, there is an opportunity to serve at the Dorothy Day Opportunity Center located at 422 Dorothy Day Place in Saint Paul. Sign up at [Loaves & Fishes: SJN Loaves & Fishes Sign Up \(signupgenius.com\)](https://loavesandfishes.org/signupgenius.com) for this project.
- Please see the calendar below for other service opportunities, including food packing events.

Event	Date / Time	Location	Notes
Area Service Project Food Packing event	Feast of Blessed Alfredo Ildefonso Schuster, Wednesday, August 30 <sup>th</sup> at 7pm	Sodality of Saint John the Baptist warehouse 14216 23rd Ave. N., Plymouth MN 55447	RSVP at <a href="http://www.stjohnsodality.org/">http://www.stjohnsodality.org/</a>
<b>First Saturday Mass and Reflection</b>	Saturday, September 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 8am	Holy Family, 5900 West Lake Street, Saint Louis Park, MN 55416	<b>Vest for Holy Mass</b>
Area Service Project	Saturday, September 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Minneapolis VA	Please contact Matt if you wish to participate
<b>First Saturday Mass and Reflection</b>	Saturday, October 7th, 8am	Holy Family, 5900 West Lake Street, Saint Louis Park, MN 55416	<b>Vest for Holy Mass</b>
<b>Area Retreat Vespers, Talk, and Dinner</b>	Sunday, October 15 <sup>th</sup> , 3pm-6pm	Church of Saint Agnes, 535 Thomas Avenue, Saint Paul, MN 55103	<b>Vest for Vespers</b>

<sup>1</sup> Constitutional Charter of the Order, Article 2 (September 2022).

First Saturday Mass and Reflection	Saturday, November 4th, 8am	Holy Family, 5900 West Lake Street, Saint Louis Park, MN 55416	<b>Vest for Holy Mass</b>
First Saturday Mass and Reflection	Saturday, December 2nd, 8am	Holy Family, 5900 West Lake Street, Saint Louis Park, MN 55416	<b>Vest for Holy Mass</b>
First Saturday Mass and Reflection	Saturday, January 6, 2024, 8am	Holy Family, 5900 West Lake Street, Saint Louis Park, MN 55416	<b>Vest for Holy Mass</b>
First Saturday Mass and Reflection	Saturday, February 3, 8am	Holy Family, 5900 West Lake Street, Saint Louis Park, MN 55416	<b>Vest for Holy Mass</b>
<b>World Day of the Sick</b>	Saturday, February 10 <sup>th</sup> , 10am	Church of Saint Charles Borromeo, 2739 NE Stinson Pkwy, St Anthony, MN 55418	<b>Vest for Holy Mass</b>
First Saturday Mass and Area Retreat Retreat Reflections by Father Joseph Johnson, ChM	Saturday, March 2, 8am Holy Mass to 11:30am	Holy Family, 5900 West Lake Street, Saint Louis Park, MN 55416	<b>Vest for Holy Mass</b> Breakfast, devotions, and talk
Area Service Project Food Packing event	Saturday, March 23, at 11am	Church of Saint Agnes, 535 Thomas Avenue, Saint Paul, MN 55103	RSVP at <a href="http://www.stjohnsodality.org/">http://www.stjohnsodality.org/</a>
Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis - Chrism Mass	<i>Tentative:</i> Thursday, March 28, Holy Thursday, at 10am	Cathedral of Saint Paul, 239 Selby Ave, St Paul, MN 55102	<b>Vest</b>
First Saturday Mass and Reflection	Saturday, April 6, 8am	Holy Family, 5900 West Lake Street, Saint Louis Park, MN 55416	<b>Vest for Holy Mass</b>
First Saturday Mass and Reflection	Saturday, May 4, 8am	Holy Family, 5900 West Lake Street, Saint Louis Park, MN 55416	<b>Vest for Holy Mass</b>
Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis - Ordination	<i>Tentative:</i> Saturday, May 25, at 10am	Cathedral of Saint Paul, 239 Selby Ave, St Paul, MN 55102	<b>Vest</b>
First Saturday Mass and Reflection Speaker: Dr. Mark Spencer	Saturday, June 1, 8am	Holy Family, 5900 West Lake Street, Saint Louis Park, MN 55416 (social after at school)	<b>Vest for Holy Mass</b>
<b>Mass of our Patronal Feast (Nativity of Saint John the Baptist)</b>	<i>Tentative:</i> Monday, June 24, 6pm	TBD	<b>Vest</b>  Dinner to follow