# COMMUNITY WORD FOR SEPTEMBER 2024 (WORD, THEMES AND PROMISES)

# **READINGS (Cycle B, Year II)**

September 1, 2024 – Dt 4:1-2, 6-8/ Ps 15:2-5/ Jas 1:17-18, 21B-22, 27/ Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

September 8, 2024 – Is 35:4-7A/ Ps 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10/ Jas 2:1-5/ Mk 7:31-37

September 15, 2024 – Is 50:5-9A/ Ps 116:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9/ Jas 2:14-18/ Mk 8:27-35

September 22, 2024 – Wis 2:12, 17-20/ Ps 54:3-4, 5, 6, 8/ Jas 3:16-4:3/ Mk 9:30-37

September 29, 2024 – Nbr 11:25-29/ Ps 19:8, 10, 12-13, 14/ Jas 5:1-6/ Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

#### **COMMUNITY WORD**

True disciples open their hearts to God's holy presence.

#### ORDER

"Be doers of the word and not hearers only." (Jas 1:22)

### **PROPHECIES:**

- 1. Make My presence be known through your words and actions.
- 2. Your community is My gift to you; let My love thrive in the hearts of all its members.

#### **DIRECTIONS:**

- 1. Be immersed in God's word and live a sacramental life.
- 2. Deepen your faith in God by persevering in prayer and doing corporal works of mercy.

### THEMES AND PROMISES

Week 1 (22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time)

Theme: We open our hearts to God's holy presence when our desires are pure and undefiled. Promise: "Whoever walks blamelessly and does justice; who thinks the truth in his heart... shall never be disturbed." (Ps 15:2, 5b)

# Week 2 (23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time)

Theme: We open our hearts to God's holy presence when we respond with compassion to those who are in need.

Promise: "Here is your God...he comes to save you." (Is 35:4b)

#### Week 3 (24th Sunday in Ordinary Time)

Theme: We open our hearts to God's holy presence when we follow Jesus in faith and by good work.

Promise: "...whoever loses his life for my sake and that of the gospel will save it." (Mk 8:35b)

### Week 4 (25th Sunday in Ordinary Time)

Theme: We open our hearts to God's holy presence when we serve with humility and pure intention.

Promise: "...whoever receives me, receives the One who sent me." (Mk 9:37b)

# Week 5 (26th Sunday in Ordinary Time)

Theme: We open our hearts to God's holy presence when we avoid all forms of sinfulness. Promise: "...because you belong to Christ...you will surely not lose his reward." (Mk 9:41)