



Friends of Jesus and Mary

Amigos de Jesús y María



Florida Center for Peace

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Dear brothers and sisters:

The month of October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary. Let us tell our children the story of the Rosary and motivate them to pray with their hearts; Our Lady of Fatima has requested it so, and continues to do so till this day. The Rosary is the ideal prayer to pray with our families and to share the life and passion of Christ.

Feast and saints for this month:

October 01 St Therese of the Child Jesus
October 02 Guardian Angels
October 04 St Francis of Assisi

October 19 St Peter of Alcantara
October 22 St Paul of the Cross
October 31 All Hallows Eve

October 05 Leader's workshop

October 07 Our Lady of the Rosary
October 15 St. Teresa of Avila
October 16 St Margaret Mary Alacoque

Included materials:

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| 1) Monthly Calendar & Meditations | 6) The Seven Sacraments |
| 2) Activity of the Guardian Angels | 7) Seven Sacraments Quilt |
| 3) Activity of Our Lady of Fatima | 8) Choose a Saint |
| 4) Activity let's talk with Jesus during the day | |
| 5) Month of the Holy Rosary | |

Recommended videos:

1. St Francis of Assisi
2. My Secret Friend
3. The day the Sun Danced

We are planning our VIII Congress of the Friends of Jesus and Mary from June 19 to 22, 2014 in Managua, Nicaragua. We invite all of you to make plans in share this beautiful experience. Make a reservation with \$50.00 deposit.

May God bless you always, Friends of Jesus and Mary

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October 2013

DOMINGO	LUNES	MARTES	MIERCOLES	JUEVES	VIERNES	SABADO
		1 St Therese of the Child Jesus Zec 8, 20-23 Psalm 86 Lk 9, 51-56	2 Guardian Angels Ex 23, 20-23a Psalm 90 Mt 18, 1-5.10	3 Ne 8: 1:12 Psalm 18 Lk 10: 1-12	4 First Friday St Francis of Assisi Ba 1, 15-22 Psalm 78 Lk 10, 13-16	5 First Saturday Ba 4, 5-12.27-29 Psalm 68 Lk 10, 17-24
6 XXVII Sunday in Ordinary Time Ha 1, 2-3 Psalm 94 2Ti 1, 6-8 Lk 17, 5-10	7 Our Lady of the Rosary Jon 1, 1-2,1.11 Psalm/Jon2-5.8 Lk 10, 25-37	8 Jon 3, 1-10 Psalm 129 Lk 10, 38-42	9 St John Leonardi Jon 4, 1-11 Psalm 85 Lk 11, 1-4	10 Mt 3, 13-20a Psalm 1 Lk 11, 5-13	11 Jl 1, 13-15;2,1-2 Psalm 9 Lk 11, 15-26	12 Jl 4, 12-21 Psalm 96 Lk 11, 27-28
13 XXVIII Sunday in Ordinary Time 1K 5, 14-17 Psalm 97 2 Ti 2, 8-13 Lk 17, 11-19	14 Pope St Callistus I Ro 1, 1-7 Psalm 97 Lk 11, 29-32	15 St Teresa of Jesus Ro 1, 16-25 Psalm 18 Lk 11, 37-41	16 Mary Alacoque Ro 2, 1-11 Psalm 61 Lk 11, 42-46	17 St. Ignatius of Antioch Ro 3, 21-30a Psalm 129 Lk 11, 47-54	18 St Luke 2Ti 4, 9-17a Psalm 144 Lk 10, 1-9	19 Ro 4, 13.16-18 Psalm 104 Lk 12, 8-12
20 XXIV Sunday in Ordinary Time Ex 17, 8-13 Psalm 120 2Ti 3, 14-4, 2 Lk 18, 1-8	21 Ro 4, 20-25 Psalm/1, 69-75 Lk 12, 13-21	22 Ro 5, 12.15b.17-19 Psalm 39 Lk 12, 35-38	23 St John of Capistrano Ro 6, 12-18 Psalm 123 Lk 12, 39-48	24 St Anthony Mary Claret Ro 6, 19-23 Psalm 1 Lk 12, 49-53	25 Ro 7, 18-25a Psalm 118 Lk 12, 54-59	26 Ro 8, 1-11 Psalm 23 Lk 13, 1-9
27 XXX Sunday in Ordinary Time Si 35, 12-14 Psalm 33 2Ti 4, 6-8 Lk 18, 9-14	28 St Simon & St Jude Apostles Epf 2, 19-22 Psalm 18 Lk 6, 12-19	29 Ro 8, 18-25 Psalm 125 Lk 13, 18-21	30 Ro 8, 26-30 Psalm 12 Lk 13, 22-30	31 Ro 8, 31b-39 Psalm 108 Lk 13, 31-35		
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THE GUARDINA ANGEL

OCTOBER

Prayer

Angel of God, my guardian dear, to whom His love commits me here, Ever this day be at my side To light and guard, to rule and guide. Amen.

Jesus wants all children to grow in faith and grace, Knowing that their angels, see His Father's face





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XXVII Sunday in Ordinary Time October 6, 2013

Readings: Habakkuk 1,2-3; 2,2-4; Psalm 94; 2 Timothy 1,6-8.13-14; Luke 17,5-10

The Power of Faith

The apostles said to the Lord, "Make our faith greater." The Lord answered, "If you have faith as big as a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, 'Pull yourself up by the roots and plant yourself in the sea!' and it could obey you. Suppose one of you has a servant who is plowing or looking after the sheep. When he comes from the field, do you tell him to hurry along and eat his meal? Of course not. Instead, you say to him, 'Get my supper ready, then put on your apron and wait on me while I eat and drink; after that you may have your meal.' The servant does not deserve thanks for obeying orders, does he? It is the same with you; when you have done all you have been told to do, say, 'We are ordinary servants; we have only done our duty.'" (Luke 17,5-10)

Reflection

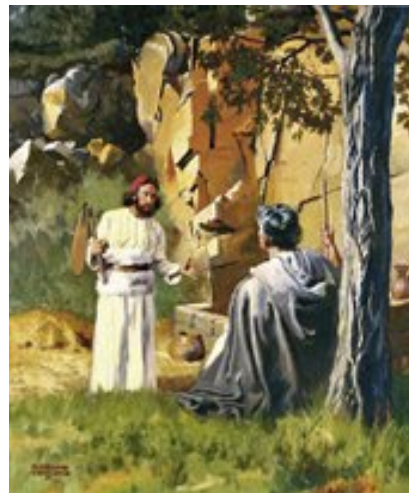
In the readings of this week we can reflect that if we have but just a grain of faith, we will know that what we do, we do for God, because we have received everything from God, not to expect reward or payment. We are servants, and the good things we do, we do out of the grace given to us. Do they always expect payment or praise for them? Speak about the story. Do they think Jesus is too harsh when he tells his friends that when they have done their duty they should not expect anything else? Talk about the faith Jesus is speaking about. What mountains or trees would they like to remove from their lives (a problem or a difficulty)? Share.

Activity

Bring white paper to the group. Ask the children to draw mountains and trees and write on the back a problem or difficulty they would like to remove with the faith that God gives them. Ask them to cut them and paste them on the poster board. As they stick them they say: "Give us faith in you Jesus."

Prayer

Lord, you have given us everything, and we want to serve You out of love. Give us light and faith to serve You and serve others without expecting anything in return, since you have given us so much. Give us faith to live in this troubled world with fortitude and without fear. Amen.





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XXVIII Sunday in Ordinary Time October 13 2013

Readings: 2 Kings 5, 14-17; Psalm 97; 2 Timothy 2, 8-13; Luke 17, 11-19

Jesus Heals Ten Men

As Jesus made his way to Jerusalem, he went along the border between Samaria and Galilee. He was going into a village when he was met by ten men suffering from a dreaded skin disease. They stood at a distance and shouted, "Jesus! Master! Have pity on us!" Jesus saw them and said to them, "Go and let the priests examine you." On the way they were made clean. When one of them saw that he was healed, he came back, praising God in a loud voice. He threw himself to the ground at Jesus' feet and thanked him. The man was a Samaritan. Jesus spoke up, "There were ten who were healed; where are the other nine? Why is this foreigner the only one who came back to give thanks to God?" And Jesus said to him, "Get up and go; your faith has made you well." (Luke 17, 11-19)

Reflection

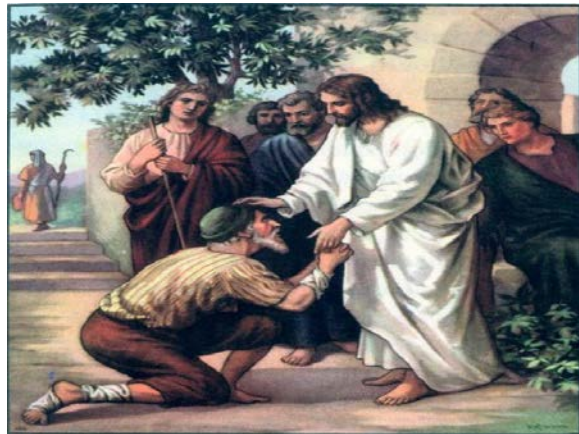
In the gospel of this week we can see how from the ten lepers, only one returns to give thanks; the others seemed to think that healing was due to them. What do they think about the nine who don't return to give thanks? Why do they think only the Samaritan returned? What attitude do we have toward things given to us? How do we give thanks? Do they expect their parents to give them everything they ask for? Do you have a friend or family member that has done something for you this week? Have you given thanks? Which is the best way to give thanks when someone gives them a gift? Share.

Activity

Make and write thank you cards for their parents and teachers. Let the children write why they are grateful and how they plan to show that gratitude.

Prayer

Lord, we want to thank you for everything you give us daily. We want to show you our gratitude by serving one another with joy and generosity. Give us your generosity and faithfulness so we can be giving as you are giving. Amen





The Blessed Mother appeared at Fatima, in Portugal, to three shepherd children, Lucia dos Santos, Francisco and Jacinta Marto, on six occasions between May 13th and October 13th in 1917. Mary revealed herself as Our Lady of the Rosary and called for conversion in the lives of all God's people. May is the month of the Blessed Mother and October is the month of the Rosary

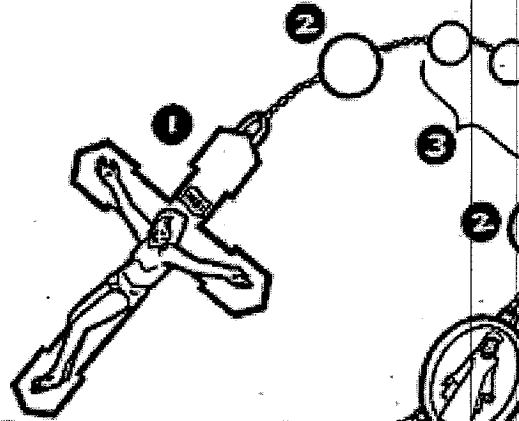
After these events Fatima became a very popular place for prayer. A large church was build near the place where Mary visited the three children. Two of the children, Jacinta and Francisco, died soon after Mary's visits. Lucia, however, grew up and became a sister. We remember Mary's visits and celebrate her title as Our Lady of the Rosary on October 7.

OCTOBER

Month of the

THE ROSARY

Our blessed Mother
wants all her children to
pray the rosary



The Rosary calls to mind the most important events in the lives of Jesus and Mary. These events are called Mysteries and are divided into four groups.

The five Joyful Mysteries

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The five Sorrowful Mysteries

The five Glorious Mysteries

The five Luminous Mysteries

The prayers that we use are: Sign of the Cross, the Creed Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory to the Father.

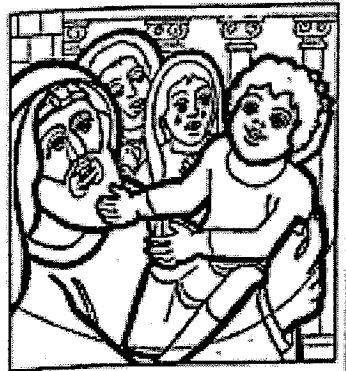
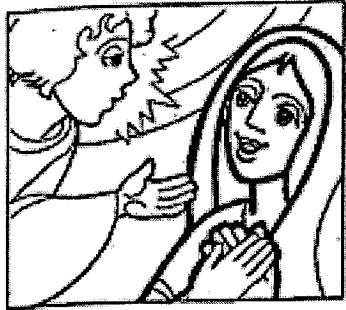
How to say the rosary

1. Begin on the crucifix and say the Apostles' Creed
2. On the 1st bead, say 1 Our Father
3. On the next 3 beads, say Hail Mary
4. Next say 1 Glory Be. Then announce and think of the first Mystery and say 1 Our Father
5. Say 10 Hail Marys and 1 Glory Be to the Father.
6. Announce the second Mystery and continue in the same way until each of the five mysteries of the selected group or decade is said.

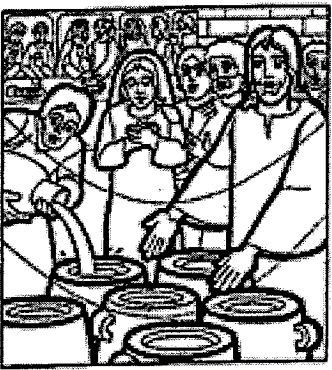
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THE MYSTERIES OF THE MARY

Joyful Mysteries



Luminous Mysteries



Sorrowful Mysteries



Glorious Mysteries



Seven Sacraments Quilt

MATERIALS:

1. White letter paper or construction paper
2. Construction paper in different colors
3. Scissors
4. Glue
5. Crayons

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Cut in advance a construction paper frame for each picture on a different color
2. Ask the children to color all the pictures of the sacraments and cut them out
3. Ask the children to glue each picture to a construction paper frame
4. Ask them to glue all the frames to a white letter paper or construction paper to make to quilt

The sacraments are life-giving signs.

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The sacraments are more than ordinary signs—they are life-giving signs. This is because they give us a share in God's life. God's life a love in us is called grace. Grace is a sharing in the divine life, in God's very life and love.

By celebrating the seven sacraments, the Church worships and praises God. Through these powerful signs, the Church itself becomes a sign of Jesus' presence in the world.

We are invited to carry out the mission of Jesus in the world. We respond to the sacraments by the way we live our lives.

Talk about one of the sacraments that you have received.

How has receiving this sacrament made a difference in your life?

## Do you Know?

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Here are the names of the seven sacraments that we celebrate in the Catholic Church

These three sacraments are known as the sacraments of initiation:

- Baptism
- Confirmation
- Eucharistic

These two sacraments are known as the sacraments of healing:

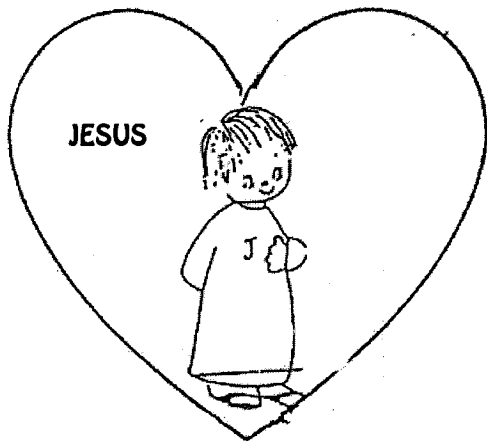
- Reconciliation
- Anointing of the Sick

These two sacraments are known as the sacraments of service:

- Matrimony
- Holy Orders

The Seven Sacraments

Seven Sacraments Quilt



IS PRESENT ON THE SEVEN SACRAMENTS

1. BAPTISM



2. CONFIRMATION



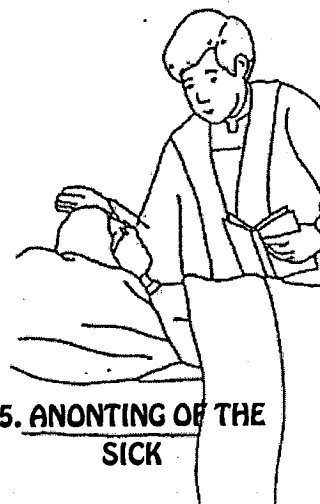
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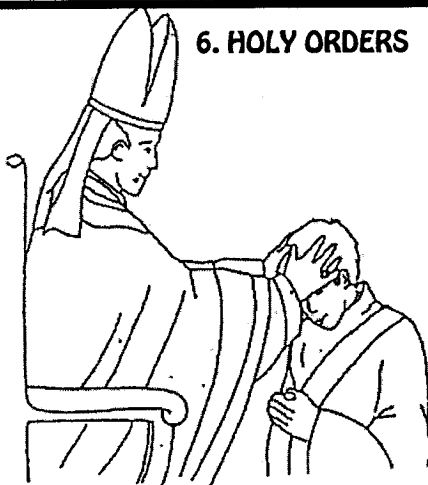
4. RECONCILIATION



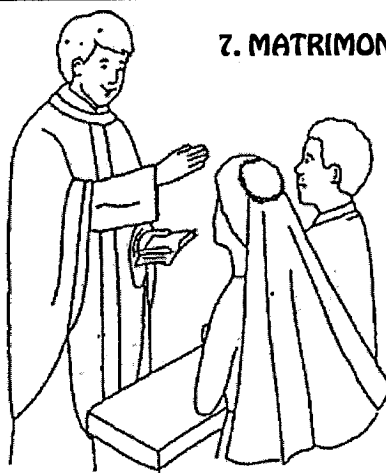
5. ANOINTING OF THE SICK



6. HOLY ORDERS



7. MATRIMONY





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XXIX Sunday in Ordinary Time October 20, 2013

Readings: Exodus 17, 8-13 Psalm 120 2 Timothy 3, 14-4, 2 Luke 18, 1-8

The Parable of the Widow and the Judge

Then Jesus told his disciples a parable to teach them that they should always pray and never become discouraged. "In a certain town there was a judge who neither feared God nor respected people. And there was a widow in that same town that kept coming to him and pleading for her rights, saying, 'Help me against my opponent!' For a long time the judge refused to act, but at last he said to himself, 'Even though I don't fear God or respect people, yet because of all the trouble this widow is giving me, I will see to it that she gets her rights. If I don't, she will keep on coming and finally wear me out!'" And the Lord continued, "Listen to what that corrupt judge said. Now, will God not judge in favor of his own people who cry to him day and night for help? Will he be slow to help them? I tell you, He will judge in their favor and do it quickly. But will the Son of Man find faith on earth when he comes?" (Luke 18, 1-8)

Reflection

What would they answer to the persistent widow? Do they have the patience to keep insisting and struggling for the right things? Do you get tired and think that God is not paying attention to you? The judge did not answer the widow because it was the right thing to do but because she had worn him out. Jesus says that God always listens to just petitions and does what is best for us. God will always answer the insistent prayers of His children. How do you pray? Do you get tired and think that God is not paying attention to you? Share as a group.

Activity

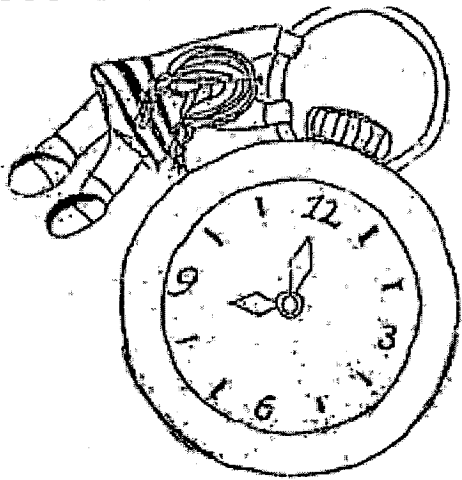
Explain to the children how to pray and the importance to talk to Jesus every day and at any time. Encourage them to pray in the morning, at noon, at night and before every meal. In the next page you will find an activity about prayer.

Prayer

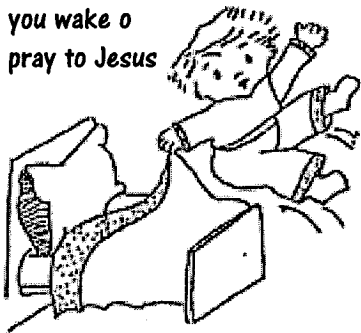
Lord, give us perseverance and trust in prayer, knowing that you always heard us. Give us understanding to accept your answer to our prayers, because you know what is best for us. Amen.



LET'S TALK WITH JESUS DURING THE DAY

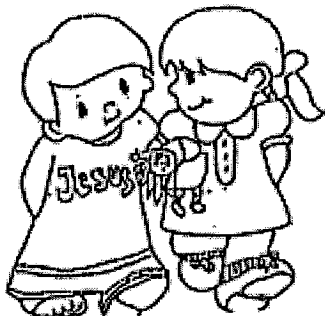


As soon as you wake up pray to Jesus

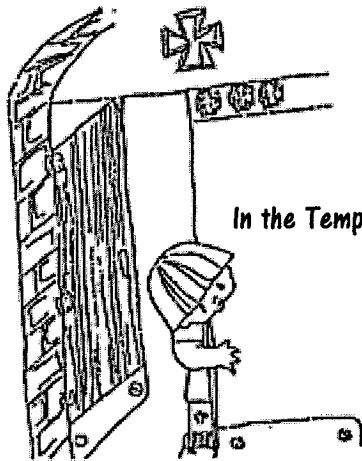


Prayer is a wonderful treasure that unites us to Jesus

When I take a bath



When you are walking



In the Temple

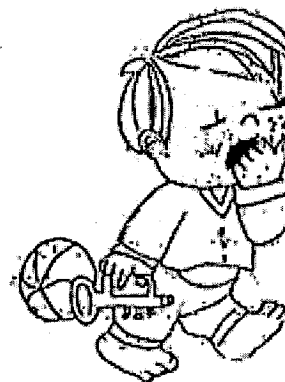
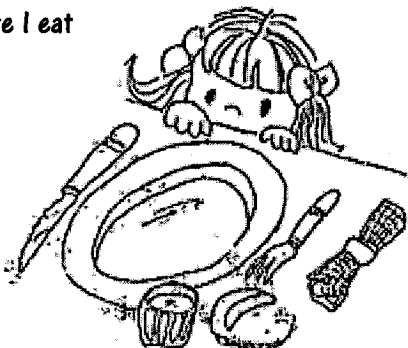


When I go to school

When I play



Before I eat



Before I go to bed



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XXX Sunday in Ordinary Time October 27 2013

Readings: Ecclesiastic 35, 15b-17.20-22a Psalm 33; 2 Timothy 4, 6-8.16-18; Luke 18, 9-14

The Parable of the Pharisee and the Tax Collector

Jesus also told this parable to people who were sure of their own goodness and despised everybody else. "Once there were two men who went up to the Temple to pray: One was a Pharisee who stood apart by himself and prayed. 'I thank you, God, that I am not greedy, dishonest, or an adulterer, like everybody else. I thank you that I am not like that tax collector over there. I fast two days a week, and I give you one tenth of all my income.' But the tax collector stood at a distance and would not even rise his face to heaven, but beat on his breast and said, 'God, have pity on me, a sinner!' I tell you," said Jesus, "the tax collector, and not the Pharisee, was in the right with God when he went home. For those who make themselves great will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be made great." (Luke 18, 9-14)

Reflection

In the readings of this week we can see how God listens to the prayer of the poor and is certain that He will do them justice. God listened with more pleasure to the publican because he felt more dependent and in need of God than the other man, who thought he had made it. Which one of the two men are you? Do you consider yourself better than other kids in school who don't behave as well as you do, or not do things as well? Jesus says that God listens with more pleasure to those who recognize that they need his help, not so much to those who believe they have made it on their own. God loves us without placing any conditions, for this reason we should wish to be better to please God. Share.

Activity

Bring white paper to the group. Divide it in two. Ask the children to write on one side all the things they do wrong, and on the other the good things they do. Invite them to give them to Jesus asking His help to be better each day. Pray as a group asking Jesus for his help to be better each day.

Prayer

Lord, we know that everything good in us comes from you and not from our own strength. Give us sincerity and light to see the areas of our life in need of your help. Teach us not to judge anybody. Stay always with us, Lord. Amen.





DIRECTIONS

You will need dice.

In order to make the tokens, see page 34 of the magazine. Cut out the circles of the saints and glue them to cardboard or craft foam.

There can be 4 players or 4 teams.

One of you should be the "secretary".

HOW IS THE SAINT DETERMINED FOR EACH PLAYER/TEAM?

Roll the dice and the one who rolls the highest number gets first pick.

IT'S NOT JUST ABOUT FINISHING FIRST

Each player/team has to try and take as many gifts as possible to the saint he has chosen. In the case of St. Martin, it means bringing him brooms; for St. Peter, keys; for St. Therese, roses; for St. Joan of Arc, swords.

THE FIRST TO REACH THE END...

wins 5 additional gifts for his saint.

SO, WHO WINS?

When all the players have reached the end, each counts how many gifts he has won for his saint (brooms, keys, etc.) The one who has most, wins.

REACHING THE END

You must win the exact number that makes you fall on the End. The End means passing square 12 and reaching the name of the saint. If you pass it up, you have to go backwards.

WHAT DOES THE SECRETARY DO?

He reads the questions.
 He reads the challenges that the players must carry out.
 He takes note of the number of brooms, roses, etc. that each player wins along the way.

HOW CAN YOU WIN BROOMS, ROSES, KEYS, OR SWORDS?

1. Every time you fall on a square with the drawing of the object.
2. If you get the question right.
3. If you pass the challenge.
4. If you fall on the square x3, the number of brooms, keys, etc. you have at that moment triples!

AND IF I FALL ON SQUARE 7, DO I LOSE EVERYTHING?

No, but you lose half of what you have won up until that moment.

ST. MARTIN ST. THERESE ST. PETER ST. JOAN

CHOOSE A SAINT QUESTIONS



ST. MARTIN DE PORRES:

1. What country was Saint Martin de Porres from?

- a) Peru b) Spain c) Portugal

2. Which religious order did he belong to?

- a) Augustinians b) Dominicans c) Teatines

3. What was he known for?

- a) His patience with crazy people.
 b) Giving alms to the rich.
 c) His charity towards the poor.

ST. MARTIN DE PORRES



ST. THERESE OF LISIEUX:

1. What is the title of the book St. Therese wrote?

- a) Story of a Soul
 b) Story of a Body
 c) History and Math

2. What religious order did she belong to?

- a) Trinitarians
 b) Sisters of the Child Jesus
 c) Discalced Carmelites

3. What is she Patroness of?

- a) Drivers
 b) Firefighters
 c) Missions



ANSWERS
 St. Martin de Porres: 1-a. 2-b. 3-c.
 St. Therese: 1-a. 2-c. 3-c.
 St. Peter: 1-c. 2-b. 3-a.
 St. Joan: 1-b. 2-c. 3-b.

ST. THERESE OF LISIEUX



ST. PETER:

1. What animal crowed twice when Peter denied Jesus?

- a) Finch b) Swan c) Cock

2. Who was St. Peter?

- a) King of Syria b) the first Pope c) the physician of Pope Cornelius

3. Jesus often took Peter and two other apostles with Him. Who were they?

- a) James and John b) Jude and Matthew c) Philip and Thomas

ST. PETER, THE APOSTLE



ST. JOAN OF ARC:

1. What country was St. Joan of Arc from?

- a) Canada b) France c) Lebanon

2. Which of these describes St. Joan?

- a) Rich and beautiful. b) a queen and a coward c) a simple peasant girl

3. How did this saint die?

- a) She fell into a furnace. b) She was unjustly condemned and burned at the stake. c) She had a heart attack.

ST. JOAN OF ARC

ST. MARTIN DE PORRES

CHOOSE A SAINT CHALLENGES



1. St. Martin's broom.

You're going to be St. Martin's broom for a minute. Another player of your choice will use you to sweep while he joyfully sings to the Lord.

2. The miracle of the basket that was never empty.

Fill a basket or bag with several items, without the others looking. Then, they have to go to you as if they were poor beggars and like St. Martin de Porres, you will surprise them with the things you give them from your basket.

3. The broom dance.

Using a song or tune, dance with the other players as you pass around a broom from one player to the next. When the music stops, whoever has the broom in their hands is out. The last player left with the broom wins three (brooms or keys, etc. – depending on the saint they're playing with).

ST. THERESE OF LISIEUX



1. A shower of roses.

St. Therese said: "After my death I will send down a shower of roses." You have one minute to make little balls of paper to represent roses and then, let them fall over your fellow players, without any of the players moving. For each "rose" that stays on them (on their head or clothing), you win a gift for your saint.

2. Spend your time doing good.

St. Therese said: "I want to spend my heaven doing good on earth." Do some act of charity or give a piece of good advice to your friends, for one minute.

3. Spiritual childhood.

St. Therese placed her life completely in the hands of God as her Father. You have one minute to put yourself in the hands of your fellow players. They have to make a "chair" using their hands and you sit down on top. Then they have to take you wherever you tell them.

ST. PETER, THE APOSTLE



1. St. Peter's tears.

St. Peter shed many tears of repentance for having denied ever knowing Jesus. Let's see your acting skills... Imitate him by crying and begging forgiveness for your cowardice for 15 seconds.

2. St. Peter's keys.

Find some real keys. Imagine that you have a car and all the other players have to get in it. Now you all have to "travel together", moving in unison without letting go of one another, you leading them. When you reach the end of the trip, you have to stop the car, get out, close the doors, take the suitcases out of the trunk, and put the keys back in their place.

3. The hidden key.

Without anyone watching, you must hide a key and then give a clue and the other players have to find it.

ST. JOAN OF ARC



1. St. Joan's flag.

This Saint led the troops in an effort to save her country and the king. You have one minute to make a flag like the one she made: it has to be white with the names *Jesus* and *Mary* written on it.

2. St. Joan's courage.

Let's see if you're as courageous as St. Joan of Arc. The other players help dress you up in "armor" made of cardboard or newspaper, and you have one minute to bullfight (the bull is one of the other players).

3. St. Joan's horse.

Let's see if your horseback riding skills are as good as St. Joan's. Choose another player to be your horse and spend a minute riding on his back and leading him wherever you want to go.

ST. MARTIN DE PORRES ST. THERESE OF LISIEUX ST. PETER, THE APOSTLE ST. JOAN OF ARC

CHOOSE A SAINT

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