

HOME PROJECTS FOR MAY

ZEAL—being driven by an intense love for God

Grades Pre-K-2—Saint Paul

1. Every day this month, tell someone something about God.
2. Choose something about which you can be tempted to be lazy (like cleaning your room) and do it with extra energy this month as a gift to God.
3. Make little notes and drawings about God and leave them where family members, friends, or strangers will find them (but don't litter!).

Grades 3-5—Saint Dominic

1. Research to find the percentage of Christians in countries throughout the world. Do you think there are people in the world today who have not even heard of Jesus Christ? Choose a country and pray for the missionaries in that country this month.
2. Do you know someone who is Catholic, but doesn't go to church anymore? Pray for that person this month and offer sacrifices for him or her.
3. Find places (stores, homes, etc) where you think people need to find God, or places where you suspect people are being led away from God. Discreetly make a cross with holy water somewhere in that place or tuck away a blessed miraculous medal there.

Grades 6-8—Saint Francis Xavier

1. Be bold in your faith! Go out on a limb and talk about your faith with an acquaintance who does not know you are Catholic.
2. Is there someone you know who is seeking meaning in life? Invite him or her to learn about the Catholic faith.
3. Have you ever thought of going extreme, and becoming a Sister or priest? Interview a priest or religious to find out about their life. Let them inspire you with ideas about what you could do for God this month.
4. Discuss whether it is prudent or cowardly to hide your faith in certain circumstances. Do you think everyone who knows you knows you are a Catholic? Consider wearing a crucifix or another silent way to preach the faith to everyone you meet.
5. Are there opportunities for mission trips in your diocese? See if you can join one this summer.