

Lesson 11 – Models of Virtue

Grade 4 - Chapter 11 and Unit 1 of the Mass

KEY CONCEPT

The Church's holiness shines in the Saints. All who live their love of God are Saints. Mary is the perfect model of holiness, and she is called the Mother of the Church.

QUICK SESSION OVERVIEW

STEP 1 - WELCOME

STEP 2 - INVITE

STEP 3 - DISCOVER

STEP 4 - LIVE

STEP 5 - CLOSING

HELPFUL HINT OF THE DAY

It's what THEY say that matters most

- Each person has ideas to share – allow for freedom of expression
- Take turns and allow the voices to be heard
- Ask a question, then Stop, Look and Listen
- Although you might have a student that may frustrate you at times, we need to meet them where they are at and hear what they have to share in order to understand

STEP 1 - WELCOME

TIP

Community Activity

STEP 2 - INVITE

TIP

Let us Pray

Our Father

Chapter Story: "On Call"

- **Use this story after the opening prayer, before explaining about the holiness of God's people.**

On Call

Joseph is a volunteer firefighter. That means that he has a regular full-time job during the day. When he is not at work he is on-call for the fire department. He wears a pager. When the pager sends out a tone, Joseph has to stop whatever he is doing and rush to the fire station.

As a firefighter, Joseph can be called to a house fire, a car accident, or a serious medical situation. He does not mind leaving his warm bed at night, a family dinner, or even a holiday celebration to go on a call. The second he hears his pager, he knows that someone needs his help.

- **Ask the children why it might be difficult to be a volunteer firefighter.**
 - ***you never know when you have to go, it can be dangerous***
- **Ask: Why do you think Joseph chooses to be a volunteer firefighter?**
 - ***Emphasize that Joseph values helping people in need.***
- **Ask: What can children do to help people in need?**

Read Scripture passage.

Talk about What do you wonder questions.

STEP 3 – DISCOVER

TIP

Holy Ones of God

- **Read and discuss the section with the prompts given**
- **Use the “Share Your Faith” section to allow for discussion**
- **Use the attached St. Catherine coloring sheet and allow for discussion about the quote included**

Model of Holiness

- **Read and discuss the section with the scripture passage**
- **Use “Connect Your Faith” section to discuss about qualities of Mary that you want to model**

Activity Master 11: Saints and Symbols

Activity: Living Conversations

- **Attached is the sheet for them to use**
- **Discuss about possible people they want to choose and why they believe they help to model a good Christian life**
- **Have them bring back their sheets after having conversations**

January Saints Word Search (if needed as an extra activity)

Mass Insert

Watch video (EWTN My Time with Jesus series - The Holy Mass) 20.10 min.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7QFQiFuACKQ>

- **Summarize the video (see attached sheet)**
- **Activity –Do the Apostles Creed sheet**

STEP 4 – LIVE

TIP

Our Catholic Life

- **Go through the “Following the Saints” and discuss**

People of Faith

- **Discuss about Saint Bernadette**

Live Your Faith

- **Go through the activity to help them to focus on how they can continue to grow in holiness**

STEP 5 – CLOSING

TIP

Pray:

- **Act of Contrition**
- **Memorare**

Take Homes:

- **Family and Faith**
- **Living Conversations Activity**

- Saint Catherine of Siena -



“Be who God meant you to be and you
will set the world on fire”

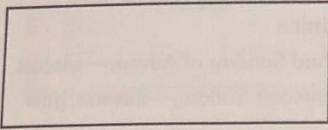
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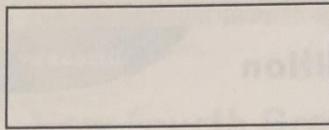
Saints and Symbols

Saints come from many cultures, and their lives of holiness are sometimes identified with particular images. See how many of these symbols you can recognize. Cut out the symbol boxes at the bottom of the page. Glue each symbol onto the empty box beneath the name of the Saint whose actions suggest the image.

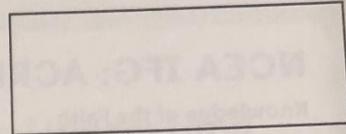
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December 6



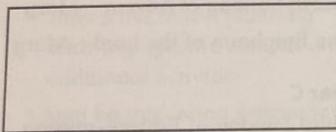
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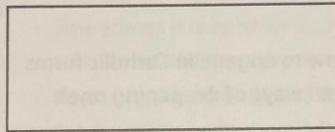
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June 29



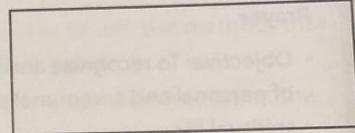
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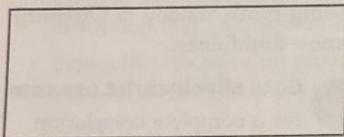
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July 14



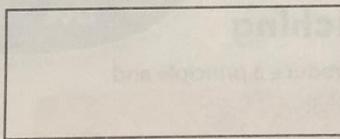
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April 29



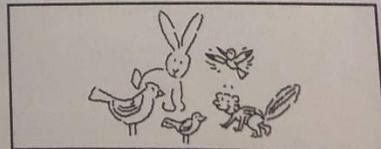
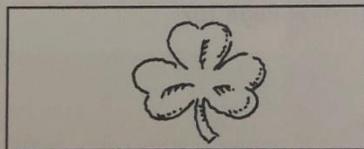
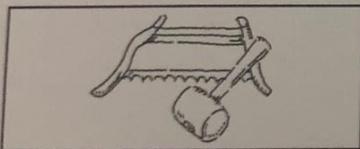
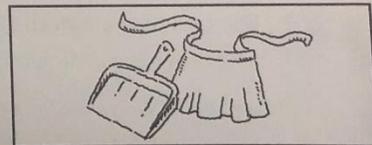
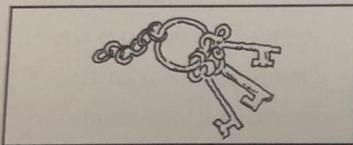
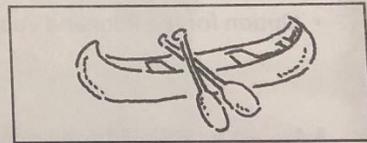
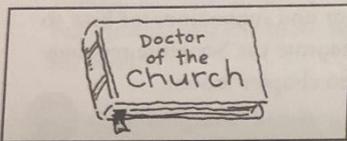
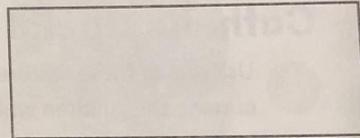
Saint Joseph
March 19



Saint Francis of Assisi
October 4

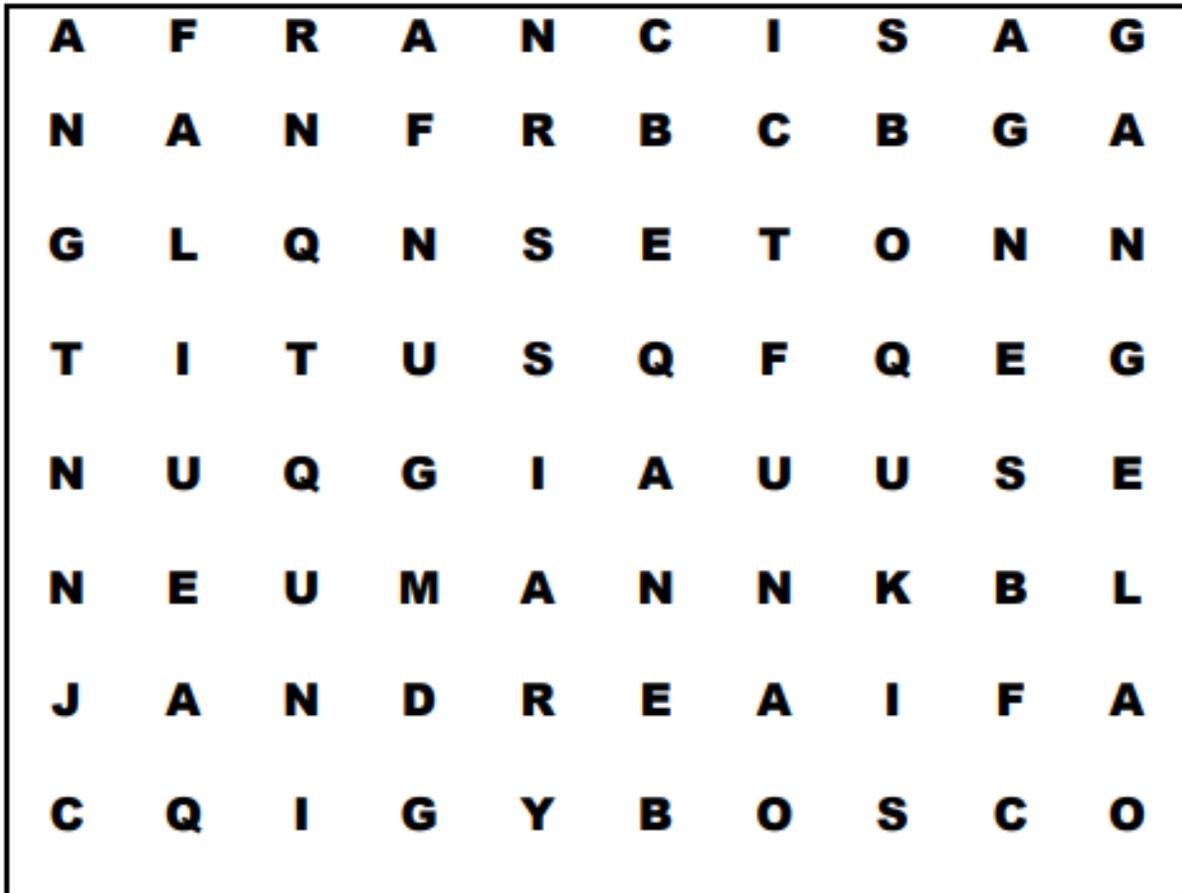


Saint Martha
July 29



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JANUARY SAINT FEAST DAYS WORD SEARCH



*Directions: Search only for the parts of the saints names NOT in parentheses (All names have Saint in front, but are left off just for the puzzle.)

Agnes

(Elizabeth Ann) Seton

Angela (Merici)

(John) Neumann

(Thomas) Aquinas

(John) Bosco

Francis (de Sales)

Titus

André (Bessette)

Conversation Form

Choose 2 people who you think are "living saints." They should be people you admire and would like to be like.

Make an appointment with them to talk about how they stay close to God.

Here are some questions to ask them:

1. How do you stay close to God?
2. What is your favorite prayer?
3. What is your favorite Scripture story?
4. What helps you do the right thing when you don't want to?

When you are finished with your talk, be sure to thank the person for sharing with you. Use the space below to write what you learned in your conversation:

What I learned from my first conversation:

What I learned from my second conversation:

Summary of The Holy Mass video

- The Holy Mass is at the center of our Faith
- At Mass, we show gratitude to Jesus for redeeming us.
- When we start Mass, we say “Lord have mercy.” That is when we are asking God for forgiveness for what we have done wrong.
- God speaks to us at Mass through the Bible so it is important to listen to the readings.
- One part of mass is the Offertory. This is when the Priest offers the bread and wine to God before they become the Body and Blood of Jesus.
- The Consecration is the most important part of the Mass. That is when the Priest speaks the words Jesus said at the Last Supper and when Jesus is made present and the bread and wine are turned into the body and blood of Jesus.
- Holy Communion is when we receive Jesus into our souls.

THE APOSTLES CREED

I believe in _____, the Father _____,
Creator of Heaven and _____,
And in Jesus _____, his only _____, our Lord,
Who was conceived by the Holy _____.

Born of the Virgin _____,
Suffered under Pontius _____,
Was crucified, _____, and was buried,
He descended into _____,

On the _____ day he rose again from the _____,
He ascended into _____, and is seated
At the _____ hand of God the _____ almighty,
From there he will come to judge the _____ and the dead.

I believe in the _____ Spirit, the holy _____ church,
The communion of _____.
the _____ of sins, the resurrection of the _____
And _____ everlasting.
Amen.



Word Bank

life	Mary
God	body
dead	almighty
Pilate	forgiveness
Christ	died
Spirit	Father
third	saints
heaven	earth
Holy	right
Son	living
hell	catholic

