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EDITORIAL



Taking Cues from the Saints

Tom was an eight-year-old who loved school and his friends. But one day at recess, his friends started making fun of a new boy, Ethan, who was quiet and shy. They left him out of their games. Tom felt bad but didn't know what to do. Should he join his friends or help Ethan?

That night, Tom remembered a story from his catechism class about St Dominic Savio. He had once said, 'I am not capable of doing big things, but I want to do everything, even the smallest things, for the glory of God.' Tom decided he wanted to be like St Dominic Savio.

The next day, Tom saw Ethan sitting alone again. He walked over and said, 'Hi, Ethan, do you want to play with us?' Ethan smiled and joined in. Soon, the other kids started playing with them too, and Ethan didn't feel left out anymore. Tom felt happy. He learned that being kind, like St Dominic Savio, made a big difference, even in small ways. That night, Tom's mom said, 'You made a good choice, Tom. Saints show us how to love others and live like Jesus.' From that day on, Tom tried to make good choices every day, remembering that even little acts of kindness can mean a lot.

And just like Tom, we can look to the saints to help us live a holy life! Whether it's standing up for someone, being kind, or making good choices, the saints inspire us to be the best version of ourselves, just like they were. May *Kairos Buds* help you learn about new saints and inspire you to become one!

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St John Lateran Basilica

- VINCENT OLIAPURATH » 15 YRS

There are many basilicas around the world, but only a few are specifically dedicated to the apostles of Jesus. St John Lateran Basilica is the highest ranking and oldest of the papal basilicas in Rome. It is also the oldest church in Rome, having been consecrated in 324 AD by Pope Sylvester. It rests on

what used to be the palace of the Laterani family, who served as administrators to the Roman emperors. In 311 AD, it came into the hands of Emperor Constantine I, who later gave it to the bishops of Rome.

This basilica was built around the 3rd century by some of the most skilled architects and craftsmen of that time. Constantine I, after ending the persecution of the Christians

permitted the people to build a church for themselves. The construction of the basilica took more than 11 years, and when finished was one of the most beautiful, and biggest churches at that time. The original structure of the Basilica still stands to

this date, overcoming many disasters like fires, and earthquakes, even wars.

Being one of the oldest churches in history, this basilica is a popular destination for pilgrims. It is one of the most beautiful basilicas in the world, with its paintings, statues,

and mosaics. The basilica has also healed (physically/spiritually) many who have come there, and as a result, restored many people's faith. As the basilica is one of the oldest churches in the world, it has a lot of traditional ceremonies/Masses/services.

Furthermore, another reason people visit the basilica is its many relics of the saints, including Saints John, Peter, and Paul. The basilica is said to have a portion of the table from the Last Supper, and the stairs on which Jesus walked after his trial with Pilate. It serves not only as a pilgrimage site but also as a destination to appreciate the beauty of the church. Even though the church has been through so many challenges it has held strong. This shows us that even in our times of struggle and difficulties we should stay strong and trust in God, who will in return bless us.



Little House in the Big Woods

- ANNA-CLAIRE ANTHRAPER » 12 YRS

Little House in the Big Woods by Laura Ingalls Wilder is the story of the Ingalls family in the woods of Wisconsin. Based on the author's

childhood, the reader is taken on an exciting journey with Pa, Ma, Mary, Laura, and baby Carrie through their work, play, and adventures. Warm summer days spent in the woods, chilly autumn evenings in the attic, snow filled winter nights, and fresh spring mornings – all hold a charm. This is the classic tale of how a nineteenth-century American family lives together in harmony with mother nature.

The story opens up in the final days of the harvest, when the little house is packed to the brim with vegetables, spices, and dried meat, all being saved up for winter, when all these will be scarce. Even though Laura and Mary are not allowed to go outside, they find plenty to do inside, such as exploring the

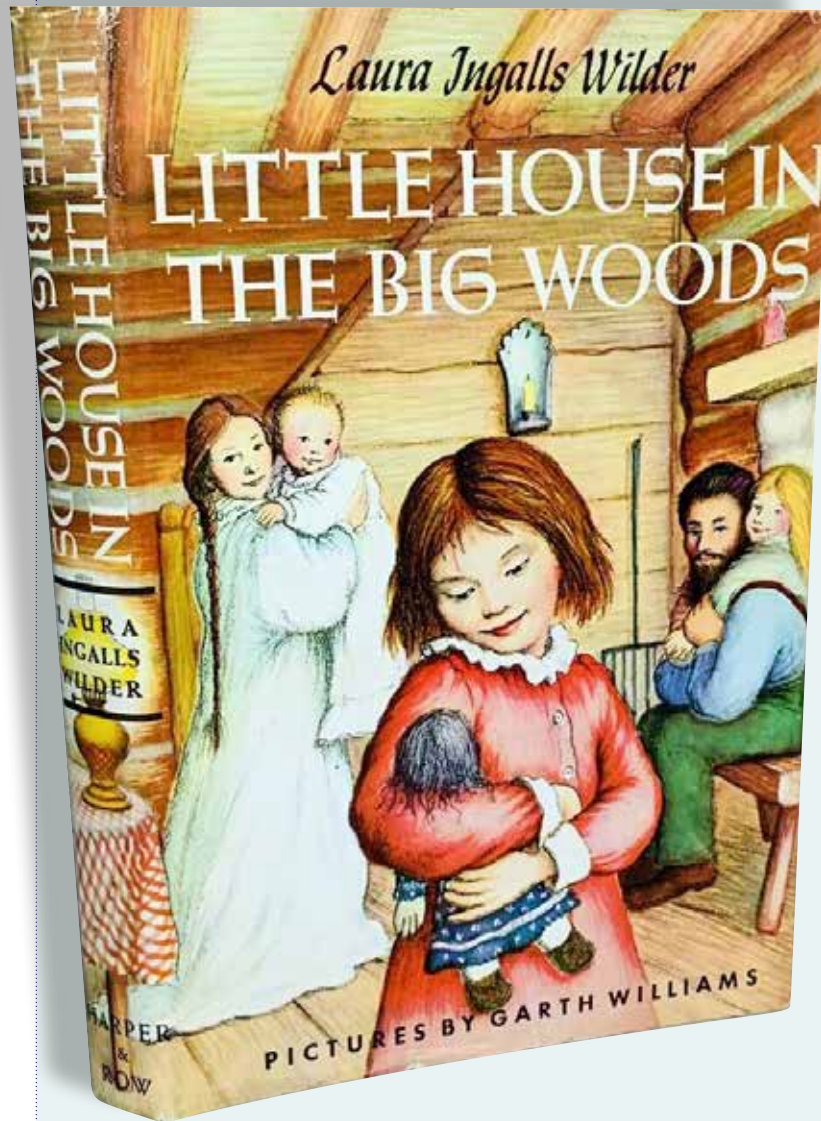
attic and playing with Jack, their bulldog. All through autumn and winter the Ingalls family happily live inside their small wooden house.

One of Laura's most treasured memories are the cosy evenings spent with her family as Pa plays the fiddle, Ma sews in her rocking chair, and the girls prepare for bed. All through spring and summer, Laura and Mary help out with the planting, washing, cooking, baking, and butter making, as well as playing outside in the woods with their friends and cousins. However, living in the big woods alongside bears, wolves, and panthers has its dangers as well, like the time Ma slapped a bear in the dark mistaking it for their cow, Sukie.

St Vincent de Paul once said, 'Simplicity ought to be held in great esteem. ... It is a virtue most worthy of love because it leads us

straight to the kingdom of God.' Truly the simplicity of life is what holds the charm for all the twenty-first century children reading this book, and the reason why it captures our hearts in a way few other books do. In all that the Ingalls do, love for each other and for God shines through their actions.

This is the first in the highly acclaimed *Little House on the Prairie* series of seven books, which follows Laura as she grows up to be a fine young woman. While the first three books are a perfect read-aloud for the whole family, the latter ones are aimed at slightly older children. Through all the different seasons of life and the year, the little house sits in the big woods, snug and warm and cosy, filled with love.





THE BIRTH OF JOHN THE BAPTIST

In the time of Herod, king of Judea there was a priest named Zechariah, who belonged to the priestly division of Abijah; his wife Elizabeth was also a descendant of Aaron.

Both of them were righteous in the sight of God, observing all the Lord's commands and decrees blamelessly. But they were childless because Elizabeth was not able to conceive, and they were both very old.



Once when Zechariah's division was on duty and he was serving as priest before God, he was chosen by lot, according to the custom of the priesthood, to go into the temple of the Lord and burn incense. And when the time for the burning of incense came, all the assembled worshipers were praying outside.

Then an angel of the Lord appeared to him, When Zechariah saw him, he was startled and was gripped with fear.

Do not be afraid, Zechariah, your prayer has been heard. Your wife Elizabeth will bear you a son, and you are to call him John. He will be a joy and delight to you, and many will rejoice because of his birth, for he will be great in the sight of the Lord.



The angel continued.



Zechariah asked the angel.

He is never to take wine or other fermented drink, and he will be filled with the Holy Spirit even before he is born. He will bring back many of the people of Israel to the Lord their God. And he will go on before the Lord, in the spirit and power of Elijah, to turn the hearts of the parents to their children and the disobedient to the wisdom of the righteous—to make ready a people prepared for the Lord.

How can I be sure of this? I am an old man and my wife is well along in years.

I am Gabriel. I stand in the presence of God, and I have been sent to speak to you and to tell you this good news. And now you will be silent and not able to speak until the day this happens, because you did not believe my words, which will come true at their appointed time.



Outside, the people were waiting for Zechariah and wondering why he stayed so long in the temple. When he came out, he could not speak to them. They realised he had seen a vision in the temple, for he kept making signs to them but remained unable to speak. When his time of service was completed, he returned home.

After this his wife Elizabeth became pregnant and for five months remained in seclusion.

The Lord has done this for me. In these days he has shown his favour and taken away my disgrace among the people.



Elizabeth gave birth to a son. Her neighbours and relatives heard that the Lord had shown her great mercy, and they shared her joy. On the eighth day they came to circumcise the child, and they were going to name him after his father Zechariah, but his mother spoke up.

No! He is to be called John.

But there is no one among your relatives who has that name.



Then they made signs to his father, to find out what he would like to name the child. He asked for a writing tablet, and to everyone's astonishment he wrote, 'His name is John.' Immediately his mouth was opened and his tongue set free, and he began to speak, praising God.

All the neighbours were filled with awe, and throughout the hill country of Judea people were talking about all these things. Everyone who heard this wondered about it.

What then is this child going to be?!





JOINING GOD'S ARMY

- ALLISON RICE

A book called *The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe* follows a family of four siblings, who stumble into a magical world called Narnia through an old and forgotten wardrobe.

This land is under a cold ruler, the White Witch. When these four siblings: Peter, Susan, Edmund, and Lucy Pevensie arrive in Narnia, they realise that the White Witch wants to hunt them down because they have the power to defeat her. The Pevensies are unsure whether they can defeat this evil witch but soon meet Aslan, a great lion who, like Jesus, can defeat all evil. Aslan invites them to fight with him to help restore Narnia to what he intended it to be. The Pevensies learn, following Aslan, that they could be great siblings, friends, and warriors for Aslan, defeating the White Witch and restoring

HE WANTS US TO FIGHT THROUGH EVERYDAY MOMENTS LIKE INVITING SOMEONE TO JOIN US FOR LUNCH, ENCOURAGING OTHERS WHEN THEY ARE STRUGGLING, STANDING UP AGAINST SOMETHING WRONG, OR BEING DILIGENT WHEN WE ARE ASKED TO TAKE ON RESPONSIBILITIES.



Narnia to the beautiful place it was meant to be.

We don't live in Narnia but what the Pevensie siblings learned applies to our own lives. We live in a world God made to be beautiful and good, but we can feel like it is under the rule of our own cruel White Witch. We can feel sad or angered when we see the world not as it should be and when that happens God is tugging on our hearts to fight with him to help restore

it! We can join the fight by learning to see and follow God. He wants us to fight through everyday moments like inviting someone to join us for lunch, encouraging others when they are struggling, standing up against something wrong, or being diligent when we are asked to take on responsibilities. When we do this we join God's army and He gives us the grace we need to fight with Him.



Joining God in this fight is what the saints did. Pope St John Paul II loved to act, hike, and ski and realised that through these activities he could grow closer to God. He wanted his friends to know God so he invited them to do the things he loved with him. As they spent time together they were able to talk about things that mattered like relationships, family, and God. He became a friend to those around him helping them to see God in their lives. St John Paul did all of these things before he was a Pope because, like us, he was just an ordinary guy who grew up and learned to listen and respond to God.



Just like Pope St John Paul and the Pevensies, when we learn to listen to God's voice in the ordinary things we join His army to fight for the good. That is how God will make all of us saints.

St. Josemaria Escriva Part 3

After the end of World War II, Opus Dei began to expand. Josemaria moved to Rome and settled there. Opus Dei was approved by the Pope and married people could be admitted as members. Josemaria provided a solid formation to the members and they began work in most of Western Europe, Unites States and then Asia and Africa.

Understand this well: there is something holy, something divine hidden in the most ordinary situations, and it is up to each one of you to discover it.



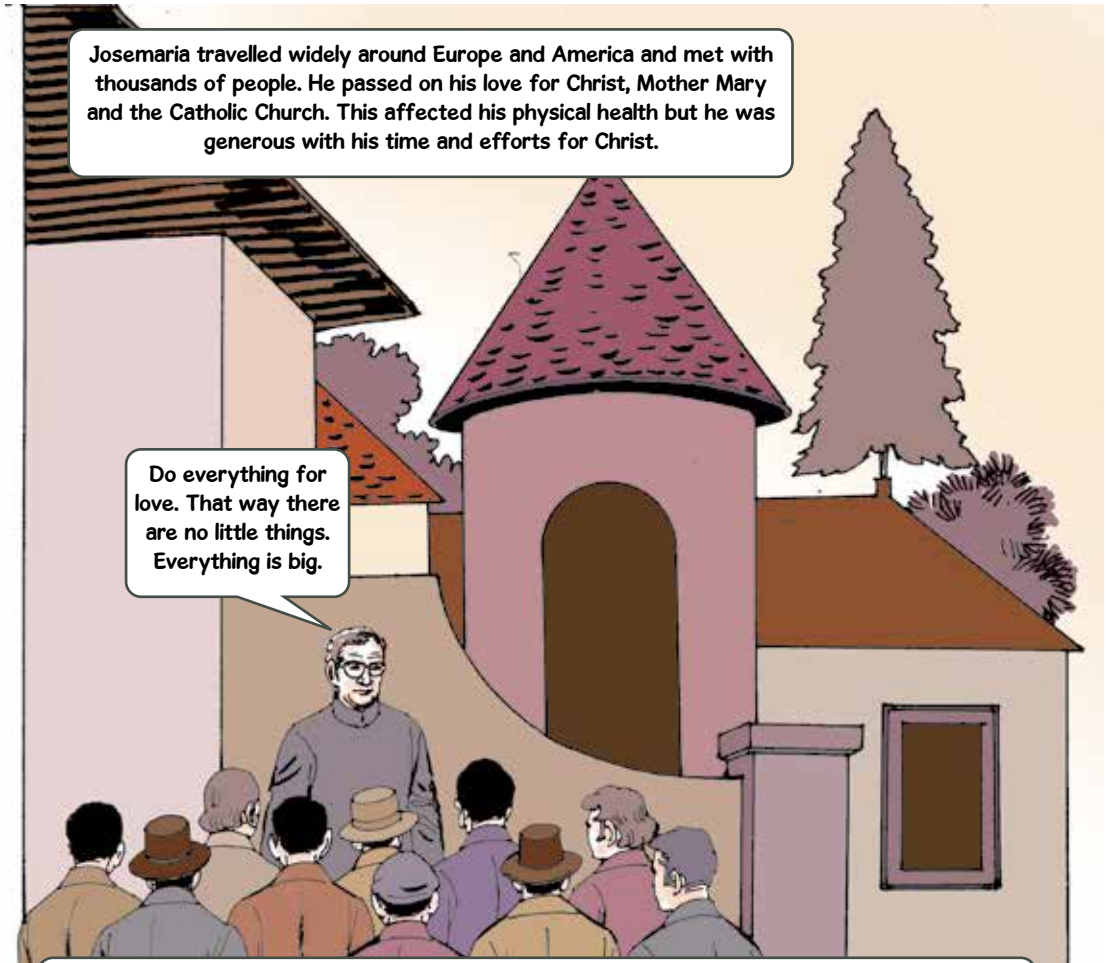
Apart from his work with Opus Dei, Josemaria helped others in numerous ways. He guided young people who were making decisions about whether to get married or whether to enter priesthood and religious life. His Christian teachings on marriage have also been very influential.

Don't wait until you are old to start becoming a saint. Begin right now. Cheerfully and joyfully, by fulfilling the duties of your work and of your everyday life.



Josemaria travelled widely around Europe and America and met with thousands of people. He passed on his love for Christ, Mother Mary and the Catholic Church. This affected his physical health but he was generous with his time and efforts for Christ.

Do everything for love. That way there are no little things. Everything is big.



On 26th June 1975 Josemaria passed away after suddenly collapsing. The fame of his virtues spread across the world and many asked for his intercession. After miracles attributed to him were confirmed, Josemaria was canonised by Pope St John Paul II on 6th October 2002.



STORY: STEFFI SIBY ILLUSTRATIONS: MADHU S

And be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another,
as God in Christ has forgiven you.
(Ephesians 4:32)

Simple Kindnesses

- JOAN JERO D'CRUZ » 16 YRS

Dear Diary,

Last week in Sunday school, we read Matthew 25:40: *Whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.* Our catechism teacher explained that this verse means we should treat everyone with kindness and respect, especially those who might need our help. She also told us that we would be going to a children's home the following Sunday and that it would be nice if we could donate some of our toys to the children there who may not have any toys.

We went to the children's home today! I had been waiting for Sunday the whole week! But when morning came, I suddenly felt anxious. 'What if I may need those toys?' But it was too late to back out now. Before leaving I whispered a small prayer to God. I really wanted to give my toys to them, but I was also a little sad. I asked God to help me and got onto the bus with all my catechism friends.

After we arrived, we got to meet all the kids there. And when we gave them the toys that we got for them, they were so happy! That made me happy too! We played games with them, shared snacks with them and even held a talent contest for them. All of us had a wonderful time.

As evening came and we were all scrambling back onto the bus I remembered how I was feeling this morning. How I didn't want to give away my toys. But right now, I felt happy knowing that they loved the presents and that I was making a difference. It was a small act, but it made their day better. I realised that even simple kindnesses can be a big deal to some people.



Do you have a faith experience you'd like to share for this page? Send it to us at kairosbuds@jykairosmedia.org with your full name, age and complete postal address.

VERSE-IVE WRITING

Whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.

- Matthew (25:40)

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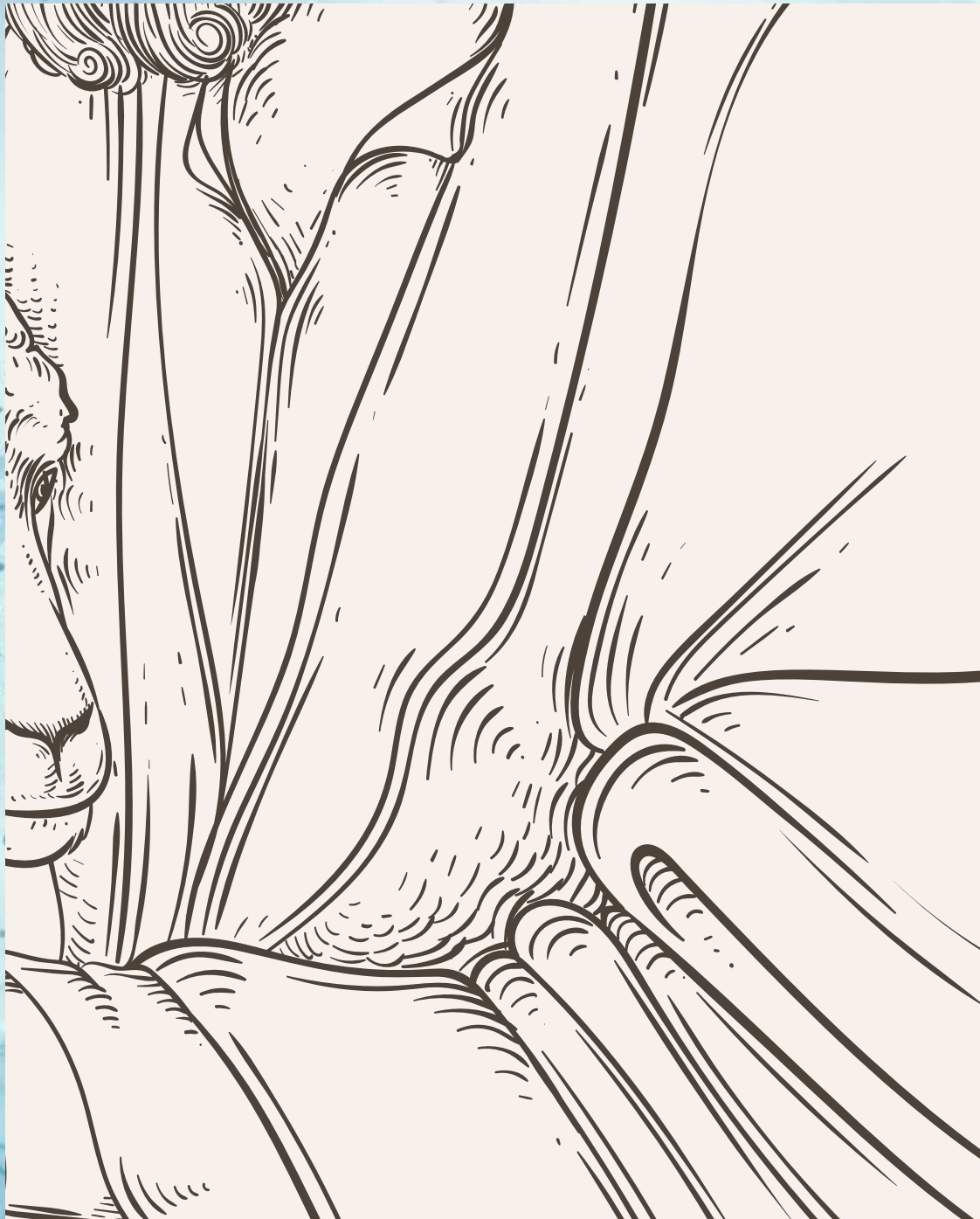
ADVENT PREPARATION DECEMBER 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Isaiah 7:14  PRAY Sign of the Cross 10 times  Help someone in need	2 Matthew 1:18-24  PRAY Our Father 5 times  Pray for families all over the world	3 Isaiah 40:9-11  PRAY Hail Mary 10 times  Pray for children everywhere	4 Luke 1:26-27  PRAY Glory be 10 times  Be thankful and express your gratitude	5 Luke 1:28-30  PRAY I Believe 3 times  Do a good deed	6 Luke 1:30-31  PRAY 'Abba Father, I Love You' as many times today  Give up a favourite food	7 Luke 1:32-33  PRAY Act of faith  Go for Mass
8 Luke 1:35  PRAY Act of Hope  Pray for unborn babies	9 Luke 1:37  PRAY Act of Charity  Help your mom with chores	10 Luke 1:38  PRAY Hail Holy Queen 5 times  Make a Christmas card for somebody	11 Luke 1:46-55  PRAY The Memorare 5 times  Pray for priests	12 Luke 2:4-5  PRAY 'O Holy Spirit, I Love You' as many times today  Clean your room	13 Luke 2:6  PRAY Act of Contrition  Make someone laugh	14 Luke 2:7  PRAY Hail Mary 5 times  Go for Mass
15 Luke 2:8-9  PRAY 1 Rosary  Smile more today	16 Luke 2:10-12  PRAY Litany of the Saints  Call a relative who lives far away	17 Micah 5:2  PRAY A prayer to the Holy Spirit  Pray for the souls in your family who have passed away	18 Micah 5:4  PRAY Pray for the religious and consecrated  Make a thank you card for your teacher	19 Luke 2:13-14  PRAY 'Jesus, I surrender myself to you' as many times today  Visit the Blessed Sacrament today	20 Luke 2:15-16  PRAY 1 Divine Mercy Chaplet  Donate books/toys you aren't using anymore	21 Matthew 1:22-23  PRAY Pray for your parents  Go for Mass
22 Luke 2:17-18  PRAY 'Jesus, I Love You' as many times today  Make a list of blessings in your life	23 Luke 2:19-20  PRAY Pray for the conversion of sinners  Give a gift to someone	24 Isaiah 9:2-5  PRAY Pray for the Pope  Give money to the poor	25 Isaiah 9:6  PRAY Pray for the Catholic Church  Pray for those who have hurt you			

*Wishing you a Blessed and
Grace-filled Christmas!*

Colour. Arrange. Frame (Part 4)

In this section, a picture is divided into 4 parts, one for each issue. Children can colour each part, and when the picture is complete it can be glued together and framed.

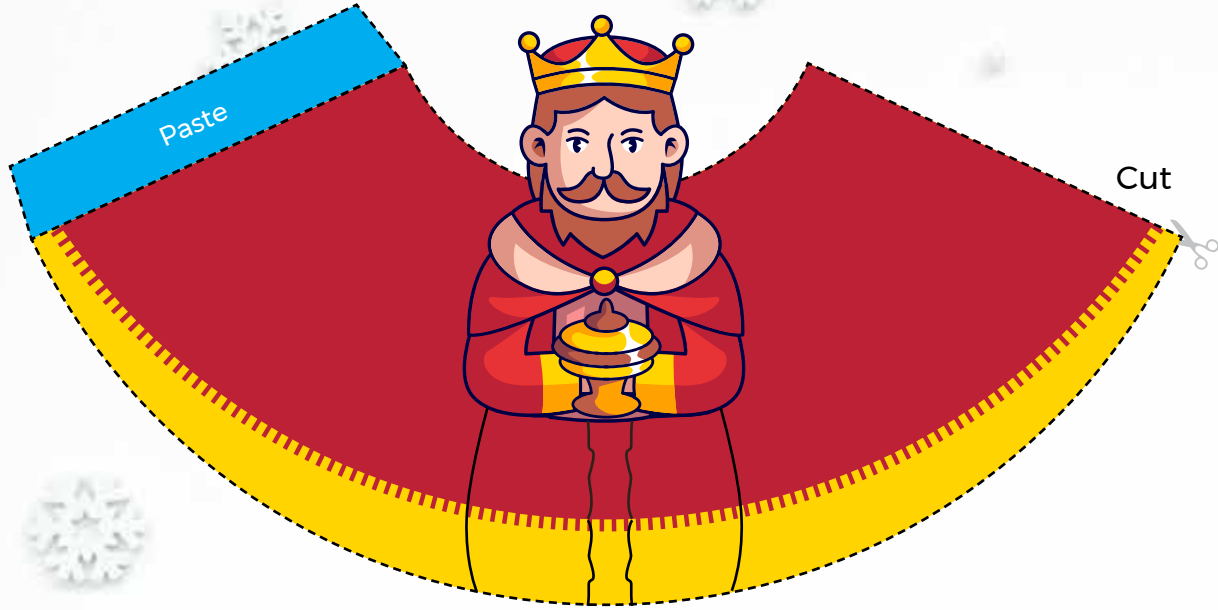


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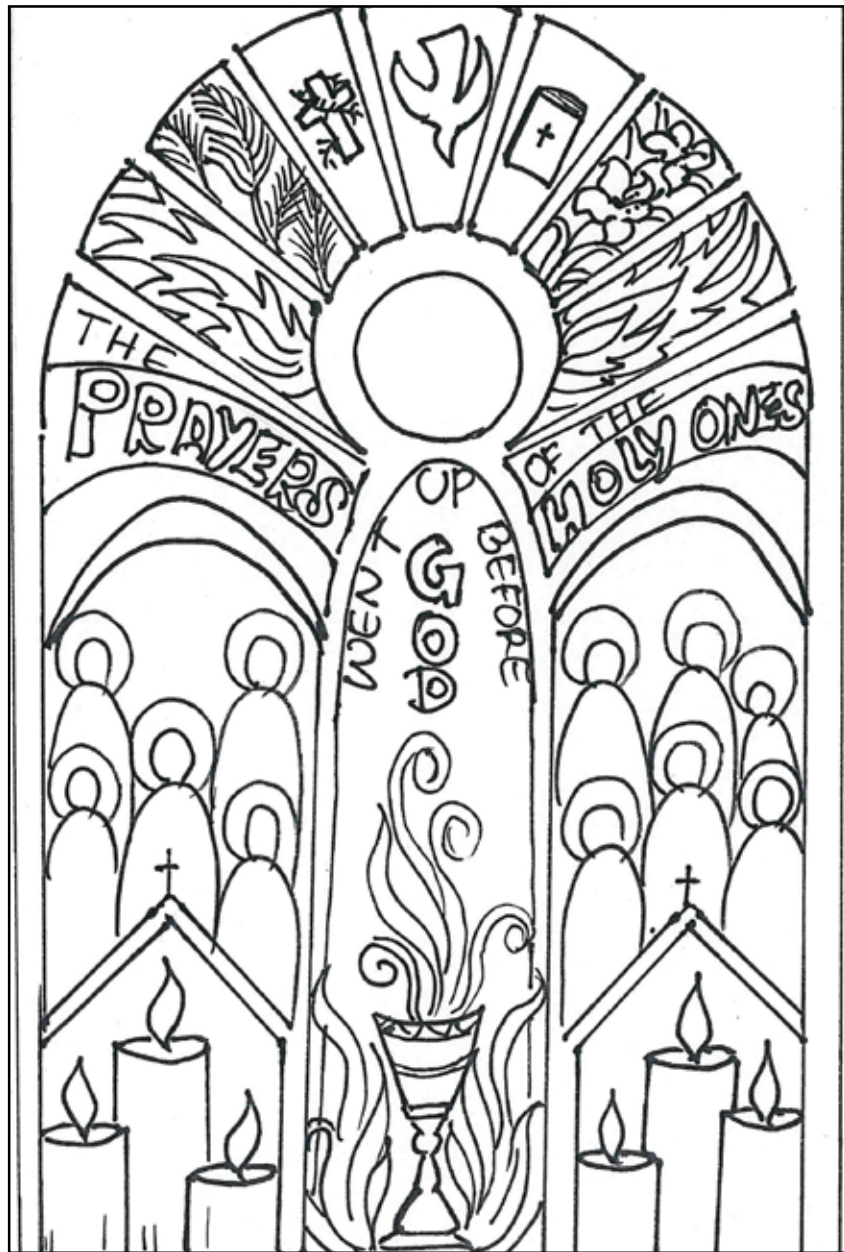
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Just cut them out and paste.



'Learn and Colour'

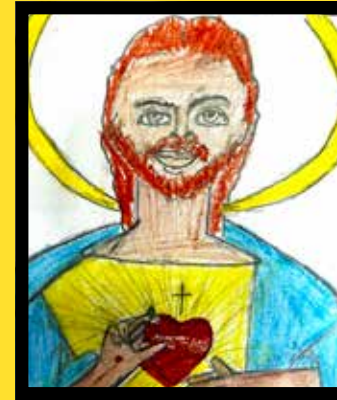
The smoke of the incense together with the prayers of the Holy ones went up before God from the hands of the angel.

Revelation 8:4

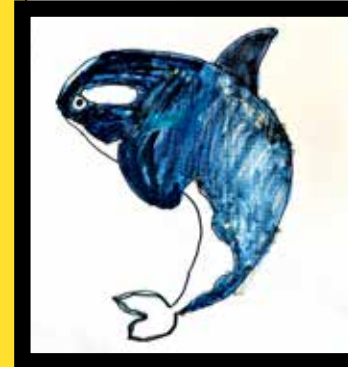


MY CANVAS

EVITA MARY JOSE » 8 YRS » UK



SOLOMON SANTHOSH » 7 YRS » DALLAS, USA



MARIA IMMACULATE ANTO » 12 YRS » HOSUR, INDIA



HELEN TRESA MATHEW » 7 YRS » TRIVANDRUM, INDIA



JOSHUA JOSEPH JOHN MARANGOLIL » 6 YRS » BHARNANGANAM, INDIA



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Flower Bookmark

- SINU EMMANUEL



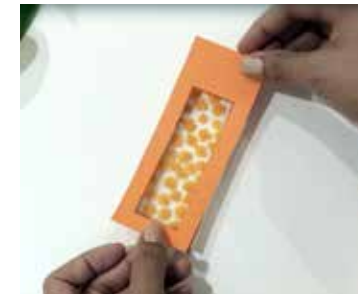
MATERIALS REQUIRED

- Natural flowers
- Wide transparent sticky tape
- Colour paper
- Ribbon or Jute thread

METHOD

1. Gather some flowers you like.
2. Cut sticky tape of desired length.
3. Slowly and carefully place each flower, holding its stem onto the sticky side of the tape.
4. Cut out the flower stems.
5. Take another piece of sticky tape of same length.
6. Carefully stick this over the flowers on the first tape.
7. With scissors, shape the joined sticky tapes.
8. Cut out two similar frames from the colour paper, as shown.
9. Glue the tape to one of the paper frames.
10. Next slowly glue the other paper frame.

11. If you want, you can curve the top edges of the bookmark.
12. Make a hole on top.
13. Tie a ribbon or jute thread through the hole.





A Call to be a SAINT

- DR JOSEPH SEBASTIAN

A saint is someone who lived a good life and showed strong faith in God. They are often people who helped others, stood up for what was right, or made a big difference in the world. They also pray for us from heaven. Think of them as role models who inspire us to live better and be more compassionate in our everyday lives.

St Francis of Assisi is one of the most beloved saints in Christian history, known for his profound commitment to living out the teachings of Jesus. His life exemplifies the possibility of transformation, making him an inspiring figure for teens navigating their own paths. St Francis's journey from a life of indulgence to one of deep faith and service serves as a powerful reminder that change is not only possible but can lead to a life filled with purpose.

Francis's transformation was not instantaneous but rather a gradual process of seeking God's will. He embraced poverty, humility, and a profound love for creation. He found joy in serving the poor and living simply, emphasising that true wealth comes from love and service rather than material possessions. His famous quote, 'Preach the Gospel at all times; if necessary, use words,' encapsulates his approach to living a saintly life through actions rather than just words.

What can we learn from him?

St Francis's journey teaches us that anyone, regardless of their past, can change and pursue a life of holiness. His story encourages teens to reflect on their own lives and consider how they can make positive changes. Each of us faces choices that can lead us away from or closer to our true calling. Here are a few ways to embrace a saint-like life, inspired by St Francis:

1. Practise Forgiveness: St Francis forgave those who wronged him, demonstrating that forgiveness can liberate us from bitterness. Ephesians 4:32 reminds us to *be kind and*

compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.

2. Serve Others: Engage in acts of service within your community. Whether volunteering at a local shelter or helping a neighbour, small acts of kindness can have a profound impact. As Jesus said in Matthew 25:40, *Whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.*

3. Embrace Simplicity: In a world filled with distractions, simplifying your life can help you focus on what truly matters—your relationships with God and others. Luke 12:15 cautions us to *watch out! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; life does not consist in an abundance of possessions.*

4. Cultivate a Relationship with God: Spend time in silence in front of our Lord, in prayer and reflection, seeking to understand God's calling for your life. Jeremiah 29:13 assures us, *You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart.*

Each of us is called to holiness and Jesus urges us to embrace our calling. In Matthew 5:14-16, He tells us that we are the 'light of the world,' called to shine brightly for others to see. Just as St Francis became a beacon of hope and love, we too are invited to reflect Christ's light in our everyday lives. The life of St Francis of Assisi serves as a powerful testament to the possibility of transformation. His journey from a life of sin to one of saintliness reminds us that it is never too late to say 'yes' to God's call. By living with intention, embracing service, and fostering a deeper relationship with Christ, each of us can embark on our own transformative journeys, discovering the joy and fulfilment that comes from living a saint-like life.

KID CATHOPEDIA

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Ba'al

Hebrew: לעֵב

Meaning: Owner or Lord

Root: A pagan God worshipped by many communities in the Old Testament of Bible, especially the Canaanites

Personal Application: For Israelites, affinity to or worship to ba'al was synonymous to idolatry in any form. In today's age, turning away from the One True God to any other form of worship (placing anything/ anyone above God) is considered idolatry and is similar to the people of Israel worshipping the pagan god ba'al.



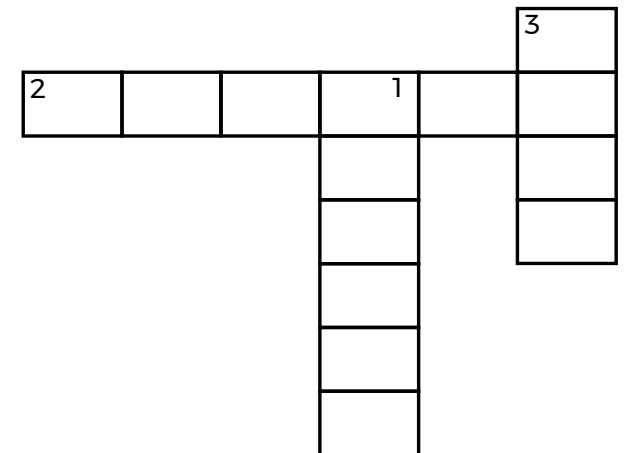
INTERESTING FACT: The word appears around 90 times in the Hebrew Bible!

CROSSWORD

1. Who did God raise up from Israel to save the nation from idolatry? (Judges 2:16)

2. Who was the Israel prophet who confronted the prophets of ba'al on Mount Carmel? (1 Kings 18)

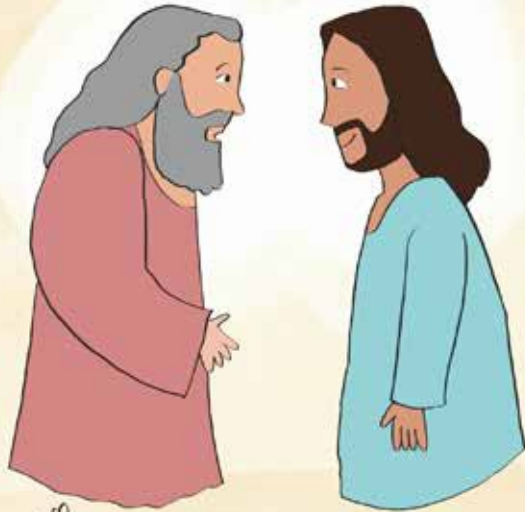
3. Which king normalised ba'al worship in Israel? (1 Kings 16:29-34)



HOLY HABITS

A look at how the Peters family imitate their patron saints.

Where do we go, Lord?
You have the words of
eternal life.



St. Peter

O Lord, give me the grace to teach my
students as best I can today. Guide me
in all that I say. You alone, O Lord, have
the words of eternal life.



Blessed are You, Lord our God,
King of the Universe ...



St. Anne

Our Father in Heaven, holy be
Your Name ...



Blessed are you among women, and
blessed is the fruit of your womb.



St. Elizabeth

Lord, I offer this decade for Ruth
who is having problems at home...
Hail Mary, full of grace ...



Lord, make me an instrument of your
peace.



St. Francis of
Assisi

Come on guys! Is that something
worth ruining your friendship
and your peace?



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Q IF GOD KNOWS WHAT I CHOOSE, HOW DO I HAVE FREE WILL?

ANS: This question is simple but profound. First of all, we need to understand that God is infinite and therefore cannot be limited by time or by space. In CCC #600 we see that in God's perspective, all moments of time are present, allowing Him to incorporate each person's free response to His grace within His divine plan.

God's omniscience does not negate human free will. There is no fore-knowledge for God, only 'knowledge' as everything exists simultaneously – without past, present or future. But for us humans, our knowledge is sequential based on time. God's knowledge is eternal and unchanging. His knowledge encompasses all possible choices and outcomes, but this does not interfere with human free will. When you make a different choice, it doesn't change God's knowledge because He already knows all possible choices you can make and their outcomes. For example, just because God knows that you will be reading a book tomorrow doesn't force you to do that, but it is a choice of your free will known to God.

Predestination, as understood in Catholic theology, involves God's eternal decree regarding the salvation of individuals based on His foreknowledge of their free responses to grace. This means that while God knows who will ultimately choose to accept or reject His grace, He does not force those choices upon individuals.

The Catholic Church teaches that human cooperation with divine grace is essential. God's grace is always available to assist individuals in making good choices. Divine grace precedes and elicits the free response of man, calling freedom to cooperate with it. This means that while God knows the choices individuals will make, He also provides the grace necessary for them to choose otherwise. However, this grace requires a human response; individuals must be open to it and willing to cooperate with God's initiative.

While God desires all to be saved, He allows individuals the freedom to reject His grace, which is a reflection of His respect for human autonomy. While God does not force individuals to choose salvation, He actively seeks to lead them towards it through various means, including the sacraments, the Church, and personal experiences of grace. The Church serves as an instrument of God's grace, continually inviting individuals to respond to His love.



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Seek and Find

How many saints can you find from the picture below?



GRANDMA'S WORLD

Anna is helping her grandmother with her new digital tablet.

Grandma, just swipe left!

I am swiping! It's not working!

Just then, Tina arrives to find her friend struggling with the task.

Anna is on the verge of losing her patience.

I'm trying to teach Grandma to use her tablet, but she just doesn't get it!

Why does my face look like that?

It's the front camera!

Ok!

Looks like Anna is about to give up.

I think you should listen to her stories! It could be fun!

How's that going to help with tech?

We had to walk six kilometers to school through the plantations!

Ask her about her life! Her life stories are treasures!

On Tina's suggestion Anna decides to try a different approach...

Grandma, what was your favorite memory growing up?

Oh, there are so many! Let me tell you about the summer fairs...

'The tongue has the power of life and death, and those who love it will eat its fruit.'

She had the most incredible childhood! I didn't even know she used to dance!

Let's make a digital scrapbook together! It'll be amazing!

That's a great idea!

They decide to get old photos and letters from the basement.

This is like a treasure hunt! What will we find?

My sister and I were so close... We had dreams!

Suddenly...

CRASH!













I miss her so much... it hurts.

GRANDMA!

To be continued...

SAINTS AND SYMBOLS

From the below picture clues, can you identify the saints they represent?

1		7	
2		8	
3		9	
4		10	
5		11	
6		12	

THAT'S ODD!



A Jewish man sent his son to Israel for a while but when he came back, he told his father that he had become a Christian. The man finds this odd and tells his friend about it. The friend listens quietly and replies, 'That's odd. I too had sent my son to Israel and he's returned as a Christian.'

So the two men go to see their rabbi about this. Hearing their stories, the rabbi is quiet for a while and then he says, 'That's

odd! Even I had sent my son to Israel and he's now a Christian!' So the three of them decide to go to Israel to find out what is happening. Upon arriving, they go to the Western Wall to pray. They tell God about what had happened to their sons and how they became Christians.

After a long silence, they hear God speak...

'That's odd, I sent ...'



Answers to Seek and Find: 16 saints
 Answers to Saints and Symbols: St Therese of Lisieux; St Joseph; St Faustina; St Juan Diego; St John Paul II; St Francis of Assisi; St Anthony of Padua; St Maximilian Kolbe; St Benedict; St Peter; St Sebastian; St Teresa of Calcutta

WHY THE CULTURE IS TARGETTING OUR KIDS

'Did you know that by the age of three, a child's brain is twice as active as an adult brain and it stays that way for the first ten years of life. From an intellectual formation standpoint these seven years are the most important. It's why reading to children is the #1 thing a parent or grandparent can do with their children to ensure success later in life. It is also why various factions in our culture are trying to win over kids during these formative years. The unfortunate side effect is there are fewer and fewer innocent books without an agenda.'

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