

Growing in Faith Together (GIFT) – June 2021

Session Theme: Be Love – Faith in Action

This month we'll be wrapping up our GIFT year by looking back at the previous months' topics and discussing how to take all we've learned and be love by putting our faith in action!

In preparation for the Sunday, June 6, 10-11am or Tuesday, June 8, 6-7 pm online Family Sessions, please discuss the following:

[Review each month's sessions](#) and discuss what was your favorite topic as well as favorite activities and/or home kit items. We'll be discussing those things and hopes for next year in our breakout rooms.

We'll also have time for sharing about activities or vacations for this summer, so be prepared to talk about those as well!

For continuing to grow in faith this summer, see the following included in this month's kit:

Saint Prayer Card: St. Junipero Serra

"All my life I have wanted to be a missionary. I have wanted to carry the gospel message to those who have never heard of God and the kingdom he has prepared for them."

- Discuss as a family: Who is a missionary? What do we do as a family to share "the gospel message to those who have never heard of God"? How does that make us missionaries?

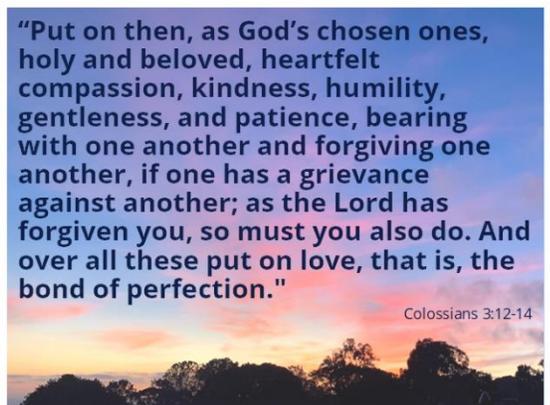
Parents – St. Junipero Serra is not without controversy, as you may know from the news over the last few years. Los Angeles Archbishop Jose Gomez wrote an overview of some of the truths (both good and bad) as well as misperceptions that have been attributed to St. Junipero Serra, and offers some suggestions on how we might continue to honor the good that he accomplished, while keeping in perspective the perceptions of others. His article can be found at: <https://angelusnews.com/voices/letter-to-the-faithful-for-the-memorial-of-st-junipero-serra/>



Scripture Memory Verse Card: Colossians 3:12-14

"Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, heartfelt compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience, bearing with one another and forgiving one another, if one has a grievance against another; as the Lord has forgiven you, so must you also do. And over all these put on love, that is, the bond of perfection."

- Discuss as a family: What does it mean to "put on love"? Which of the attributes listed are easy for you to do? Which ones are challenging? Why? What can we do as a family to pay more attention to living out all these attributes?



Partners in Faith June Newsletter

We get a monthly newsletter from Partners in Faith with answers to questions about our faith and suggestions for incorporating our faith into daily life. Generally, each month the newsletter gets posted on our website at <https://www.saintbrigidparish.org/families>, but figured we'd include the hardcopy this month, in case you haven't seen it before.



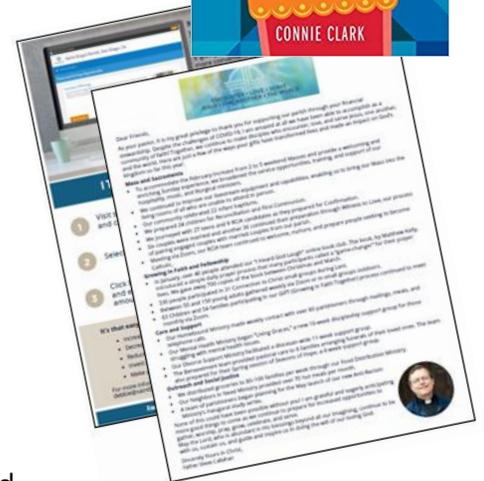
Fun Prayer Activities for Summer Booklet

Use this booklet to add fun faith-filled puzzles, activities, games, and prayers to your summer vacation. Use one page a day, or several at a time. If you find a new prayer or activity you like, keep using it all summer!



Online Giving and Stewardship Information Handout

During our session, Fr. Steve will be sharing about the spirituality of stewardship through using our time, talent, and treasure. This handout is a letter Fr. Steve wrote to the parish to highlight some of the ways we've seen parishioner stewardship play out over the past year through gifts of time and talent. The reverse side is how to set up online giving, if you are interested in making financial gifts electronically. We value everyone's contributions of time, talent, and treasure, no matter how large or small, to make our parish the vibrant community it is!



CatholicBrain.com Online Activities and Resources

- Login to your child's account and together complete the suggested videos/quizzes/activities. Click these links to get there directly (you'll still need to login):
 - [Adventure Catechism: What is a vocation?](#)
 - Learn about two June Feast Days:
 - [The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus](#)
 - [The Immaculate Heart of Mary](#)
 - [At Home Vacation Bible School Option](#)
 - Sunday Mass Activities (to be used before, during, or after Mass)
 - [Sunday Mass Packets Page](#)



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