

Growing in Faith Together (GIFT) – October 2022

Month Theme: What is Prayer?

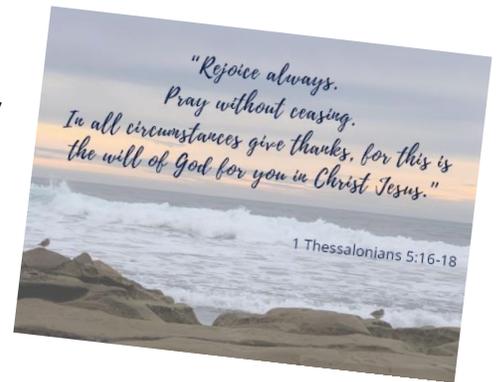


Home Kit Resources and Activities for the month:

Each month's home kit includes resources and activities for continuing to grow in faith throughout the month!

Scripture Memory Verse Card

Each month we will have a new scripture verse to practice learning by heart, use the magnetic card holder to put the verse on the refrigerator/bathroom mirror/etc. to practice memorizing the verse throughout the month.



- October's Bible Verse: 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18
 - "Rejoice always. Pray without ceasing. In all circumstances give thanks, for this is the will of God for you in Christ Jesus."

As a family, discuss: What is easy or hard to believe about each of these statements? What is one way your family can try to "pray without ceasing" this month? How can your family "give thanks" in some small way every day? Check in as a family at the end of the month, how did we do on "praying without ceasing" and "giving thanks" every day?

Saint of the Month Card

Each month we will have a saint of the month, with a brief quote or prayer of theirs, and their card can get added to your family's prayer card ring. If you are returning this year, you can add your cards to last year's ring or start a new one!



- GIFT Cover Card and Key Ring
 - Includes our prayer for families – pray this one together!
- St. Francis of Assisi (1181-1226)
 - For more information about St. Francis visit: https://www.catholic.org/saints/saint.php?saint_id=50
- This month we included an excerpt from one of his prayers, *The Canticle of the Sun*:
 - "Praise and bless my Lord, and give Him thanks and serve Him with great humility."

Look up the prayer <https://www.catholic.org/prayers/prayer.php?p=3188> (or Google Canticle of the Sun) and discuss as a family which verse you like best. Write a verse in the same style that reflects something your family loves about creation. Include this prayer throughout the month in other family prayers.

Celebrating Sundays for Catholic Families Book

Use this resource to dive deeper into the meaning of the Gospel for Mass each Sunday, use it before or after Mass (suggestions: keep it in the car for on the way to or home from Mass, keep it on the kitchen table for reflection during the week).

Partners in Faith Monthly Newsletter

Read through the monthly newsletter from Partners in Faith to get ideas on living the Catholic faith at home.

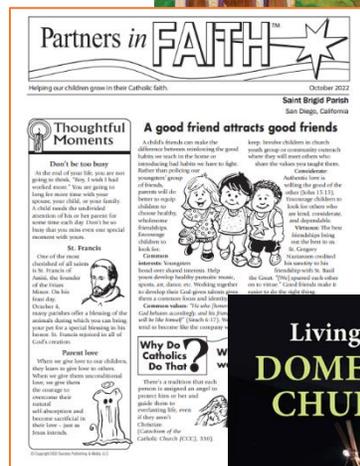
Living as a Domestic Church Pamphlet

Find out the background on how families and homes came to be known as “domestic churches” and some practical tips on living your faith through the lens of being in a domestic church.

Fr. Patrick Peyton Prayer Card and Rosary

At our September Potluck and Movie Night, we watched *Pray: The Story of Patrick Peyton*. Use this prayer card and rosary to incorporate Fr. Peyton’s message that “the family that prays together stays together.” Learn more about Fr. Peyton and his cause for sainthood by visiting fatherpeyton.org.

Interested in getting some of the Pray resources, books, or rosaries that were on display during the event? Use the code PRAYevent for a 20% discount at: <https://hcfmstore.org/>.



**WERE YOU INSPIRED BY
PRAY: THE STORY OF PATRICK PEYTON?**

Deepen your prayer life with the items below.



PRAY: THE STORY OF PATRICK PEYTON
DVD or Blu-ray



PRAY: The Soundtrack
CD



PRAY TOGETHER NOW
Family Prayer Kit



Father Peyton's Rosary Prayer Book



All for Her: Biography of Father Peyton



The Tale of Patrick Peyton Comic Book

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