**Tips for Choosing a Bible**

Did you know….

* Books of the Bible written by various authors but all inspired by the Holy Spirit
* All books containing true Catholic doxology have a stamp of approval by Catholic Church
	+ - * Look for Nihil Obstat and/or Imprimatur on the back of the title page
* Catholic Bibles contain seven more Old Testament books than Protestant Bibles
* During the Reformation, Protestants removed seven books that had been part of the Bible since the beginning of Church history

Here are a few Bible examples that might help 😊

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|  | The New American Bible * Easy to understand
* Modern translation
* Easy use for all ages
 |  | The Catholic Study Bible 3rd Edition* Extensive reading guide
* Book-by-book through Scripture
* For higher education and general readers
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|  | The Catholic Youth Bible 4th Edition * Full-color design
* Easy-to-use *Navigation*
* Multiple opportunities for youth interaction with scriptures
 |  | The Catholic Children’s Bible* Color-coded tabs easy navigation
* Simple graphics
* Child-friendly Bible; grades 1-4
* Vibrant, realistic illustrations, and fun, colorful graphics
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**Local Catholic Stores**

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| Queen of Angels Catholic Store 11629 San Jose Blvd. Suite 3 Jacksonville, FL 32223904-288-0062 | The Blue Mantle 81 San Marco Ave Saint Augustine, FL 32084904-907-2985 |

**Helpful Websites**

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| <https://www.comcenter.com/>  | <https://www.amazon.com/>  |
| <https://www.usccb.org/>  | <https://www.usccb.org/bible/understanding-the-bible>  |

Making a Prayer Corner in Your Home

**Why A Prayer Corner in Our Catholic Homes**

* Good to **SEE** our Faith at home as well as **HEAR** at Mass
* Peaceful reminder of God’s presence
* God’s presence in our homes and lives 24/7

**What Is a Prayer Corner**

* Accessible area to gather as a family or individually
* Place you walk by and feel God’s presence
* Your own, personal, comforting, inviting place
* Silent testimony of your Faith in Our Blessed Mother, the Holy Family, our Lord Jesus Christ
* For more information see page 4 in the Parent’s Guide

**Ideas of What You Can Include in Your Prayer Corner**

* Crucifix for your prayer corner and visible in every bedroom of your home
* Bible (see examples within this document)
* Candle or a lighted candle on a timer that goes on every night
* Scripture quote, Saint quote, the 10 Commandments
* Statue, Picture, or Icon: Jesus, Mary, an Angel, a favorite Saint
	+ Something that speaks to your family personally
* Holy water, family Rosaries
* Catholic books, picture books for kids, holy cards, prayer cards

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*“Preach the Gospel always, and if necessary, use words”*

*St. Francis of Assisi*