

GRADE 5
CHAPTER Twelve
Called to Holiness

Objectives

- To understand the call to holiness is given to every person
- To recognize qualities that are signs of holiness
- To learn about the liturgical year and canonization

Step One: Invite: Name your personal experience

- Complete the activity on p. 135
- Talk about what makes a person “special” and worthy of being a role model.
- Create a family collage of all those people who are good role models for your family.

Step Two: Explore: Understand the meaning of God’s Word

- Using the saints shown on p. 136-137, give each family member a different saint to research. Learn about their qualities, what good they did in life and why they would be a good person to imitate. Also, give their feast day.
- Read the Words of Faith on p.139 as well as the section labeled Liturgical Year. Why are there so many feast days for Mary?
- Take out (or buy/make) a statue of Mary and put it in a special place. Talk about the ways in which Mary showed us how to follow Christ and to be holy. Write a prayer to Mary asking her to help you become holy.

Step Three: Celebrate: Offer prayers of praise and thanksgiving

- Learn to pray the rosary [even one decade each night, if you are short on time] and use this prayer in front of your statue.
- At the end of each decade use one of the prayers you wrote to close.

Faith Activities: Tips

- Throughout each chapter, there will be sections marked “Activity.”
- Feel free to choose as many activities as you wish to share with your family. At a minimum, choose one activity above and beyond what might be mentioned in Steps 1-3.
- Follow the directions for the activity, share popcorn or a treat, relax and enjoy it.
- Post any artwork until the next lesson and then use the next chapter’s activity to take its place.