

# A FAMILY OF *Faith*



## FEBRUARY ENGLISH GUIDE YEAR 2

- ❑ **VERSE OF THE MONTH:** 1 JOHN 4:8
  - ❑ Parent's Guide: Pages 144, 147
  - ❑ Activity Book: Pages 82, 83
  
- ❑ **SAINT OF THE MONTH:** ST. MARY MAGDALENE
  - ❑ Parent's Guide: Pages 148, 180-181
  - ❑ Activity Book: Pages 99-100.

### Overview Lesson 8 The Sacraments of Healing

The aim of this lesson is for your children to understand that Jesus Christ came to bring healing to both our bodies and our souls. It was His desire that, through the ministry of his Church, spiritual and physical healing would continue to be available for all time.

- ❑ **WORDS TO KNOW**
  - ❑ Parent's Guide: Page 152
  - ❑ Activity Book: Page 101.
  
- ❑ **Activities and Key Concepts Lesson 8:** Parent's Guide: Page 151

### Overview Lesson 9 Penance and Reconciliation

In this lesson your children explore the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation. In this Sacrament, our sins are forgiven and we are reconciled to God and His Church through the confession of those sins and acts of penance. We are also strengthened by the Sacrament to avoid sin in the future.

- ❑ **WORDS TO KNOW:**
  - ❑ Parent's Guide: Page 159
  - ❑ Activity Book: Page 101
  
- ❑ **Activities and Key Concepts Lesson 9:** Parent's Guide: Pages 157-158.
  
- ❑ **Your Catholic Home: Feast of Candlemas,** Parent's Guide: Page 146. Forty days after the birth of Jesus, the Blessed Virgin Mary went to the Temple in Jerusalem for purification

and to offer a sacrifice according to Jewish law. There she met Simeon and Anna, who recognized the promised Messiah. Simeon prophesied that Mary's heart would be pierced by a sword. Catholics celebrate the feast of the Presentation of Christ in the Temple, otherwise known as the Purification of the Blessed Virgin, or Candlemas, 40 days after Christmas on February 2. The Gospel of John calls Jesus the light that shines in the darkness, and the rite of the blessing of the candles recalls the word of Simeon, declaring that Jesus is "the Light for the revelation to the Gentiles."

Celebrate this feast by going to Mass and bringing candles for your priest to bless. When you return home, light your candles and hold a Candlemas procession in your home, singing the "Salve Regina" or another Marian hymn. Close by praying the Joyful Mysteries of the Rosary. Then place your candles in your home prayer space to be used for the rest of the year.

**BY THE END OF THIS MONTH, YOUR CHILDREN SHOULD BE ABLE TO:**

- Recite this month's Scripture Memorization.**
  - Parent's Guide: Pages 144, 147,
  - Activity Book: Pages 82, 83.
  
- Define this month's Words to Know.**
  - Parent's Guide: Pages 152, 159,
  - Activity Book: Page 101.
  
- Identify in Scripture the examples of Christ healing illness and suffering and forgiving sins.**
  - Parent's Guide: Pages 153-156, 163-165, 166-167, 169-170,
  - Activity Book: Pages 84 (Answers in Parent's Guide Page 156), 85 (Answers in Parent's Guide Page 163-165), 86 (Answers in Parent's Guide Page 168), 87(Answers in Parent's Guide Page 170)
  
- Know how to receive the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation.**
  - Parent's Guide: Pages 171-178,
  - Activity Book: Pages 88
  - (Answers in Parent's Guide Page 172), 89, 90- 91, 92-93, 94-95.
  
- Tell about St. Mary Magdalene**
  - Parent's Guide: Pages 180-181
  - Activity Book: Pages 99-100

***February in Review***

**THIS MONTH YOUR EXPLORED AS A FAMILY THE QUESTIONS:**

- What are the Sacraments of Healing?**
  - Parent's Guide: Pages 153-156
  - Activity Book: Pages 84 (Answers in Parent's Guide Page 156).
  
- What happens when we go to Confession?**
  - Parent's Guide: Pages 160-165, 169-170,
  - Activity Book: Pages 85
  - (Answers in Parent's Guide on Pages 163-165).

❑ **Why do we need to confess our sins to a priest?**

- ❑ Parent's Guide: Pages 166-168.
- ❑ Activity Book: Page 86 (Answers in Parent's Guide: Page 168), 97.

**In Lesson 8 your children learned:**

❑ **Jesus Comforts us in the Sacraments of healing. He heals us of spiritual sickness in Confession, in the Anointing of the Sick we can receive physical healing and strength for our final journey to God.**

- ❑ Parent's Guide: Pages 153-156
- ❑ Activity Book: Pages 84 (Answers in Parent's Guide Page 156).

**In Lesson 9 your children learned:**

❑ **God forgives the sins committed after Baptism through the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation.**

- ❑ Parent's Guide: Pages 160-170,
- ❑ Activity Book: Pages 85 (Answers in Parent's Guide Pages 163-164, 165), 86 (Answers in Parent's Guide Page 168), 87 (Answers in Parent's Guide Page 170).

❑ **The Sacrament of God's forgiveness includes two essential elements: actions of the penitent and the action of God.**

- ❑ Parent's Guide: Pages 166-179
- ❑ Activity Book: Pages 86 (Answers in Parent's Guide Page 168), 87(Answers in Parent's Guide Page 170), 88 (Answers in Parent's Guide Page 172), 89, 90-91, 92-93, 94-95, 97.

**Recommended Activities:**

- ❑ Parent's Guide: Pages 146, 147, 149, 152, 153-154, 155-156, 159, 160-162, 163-165, 166-168, 169-170, 171-172, 173-174, 175-178, 179, 180-181, 182.
- ❑ Activity Book: Pages 83, 84 (Answers in Parent's Guide Page 156), 85 (Answers in Parent's Guide Pages 163-165), 86 (Answers in Parent's Guide Page 168). 87 (Answers in Parent's Guide Page 170), 88 (Answers in Parent's Guide Page 172), 89, 90-91, 92- 93, 94-95, 97, 99-100, 101.

## Suggested Weekly Learning Goals February

<b>Weekly Teaching for Parents</b>	
Week 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❑ <b>Introduce Words to Know:</b> Parents discuss <b>words to know</b> with their children on Parent Guide pages 212 and 230. Teach their children what the words mean.</li> <li>❑ <b>Understand Words to Know:</b> By the end of the week, the children should know how to <b>explain and define the words to know</b>.</li> <li>❑ <b>Get to know St Mary Magdalene</b> Parents and children should read the brief biography of Saint Mary Magdalene on Parent Guide pages 180-181</li> <li>❑ <b>Learn Scripture Verse:</b> Begin reciting daily the <b>Scripture verse for the month. “Receive the holy spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven the, and whose sins you retain are retained.”</b> (1 John 4:8)</li> </ul>
Week 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❑ <b>Parent and Child Activities:</b> Parents should choose one or more activities on the Sacraments of Healing in the Parents Guide pages 153-156, lead the children through this activity.</li> <li>❑ <b>Learning Goal for the Week:</b> The child should understand that -               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❑ Jesus comforts us in the Sacraments of healing. He heals us of spiritual sickness in Confession. In the Anointing of the Sick we can receive physical healing and strength for our final journey to God.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Week 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❑ <b>Parent and Child Activities:</b> Parents should choose one or more activities on the sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation in the Parents Guide on pages 160-179 to teach their children.</li> <li>❑ <b>Learning Goals for the Week:</b> The Child should understand that -               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❑ God forgives the sins committed after Baptism through the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation.</li> <li>❑ The Sacrament of God’s forgiveness includes two essential elements: actions of the penitent and the action of God.</li> </ul> </li> <li>❑ <b>Your Catholic Home:</b> Celebrate this feast by going to Mass and bringing candles for your priest to bless. When you return home, light your candles and hold a Candlemas procession in your home, singing the “Salve Regina” or another Marian hymn. Close by praying the Joyful Mysteries of the Rosary. Then place your candles in your home prayer space to be used for the rest of the year.</li> </ul>