

# A FAMILY OF *Faith*



## March English Guide Year 1

- ❑ **VERSE OF THE MONTH:** John 14:18: “I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you.”
  - ❑ Parent’s Guide: Pages 164, 167,
  - ❑ Activity Book: Pages 121, 122.
  
- ❑ **SAINT OF THE MONTH: SAINT PETER**
  - ❑ Parent’s Guide: Pages 168, 194-195,
  - ❑ Activity Book: Pages 131-133

### Overview Lesson 10 I will not leave you as orphans

In this lesson, we meet the Third Person of the Blessed Trinity: The Holy Spirit. We will learn about the Spirit’s work from the beginning through the end of time, and how the Spirit’s working in and through the Church is God’s provision for continued leadership and guidance for all believers.

- ❑ **WORDS TO KNOW:**
  - ❑ Parent’s Guide: Page 172
  - ❑ Activity Book: Page 139
  
- ❑ **Activities and Key Concepts Lesson 10: Parent’s Guide: Page 171.**

### Overview Lesson 11 I believe in the Holy Catholic Church

This lesson defines the Church, the People of God, and explores the threefold mission of the Church: to teach, sanctify, and govern in Christ’s name and by His power.

- ❑ **WORDS TO KNOW:**
  - ❑ Parent’s Guide: Page 187,
  - ❑ Activity Book: Page 139
  
- ❑ **Activities and Key Concepts Lesson 11: Parent’s Guide: 185-186.**
  
- ❑ **Your Catholic Home: The Holy Spirit:** Parent’s Guide: Page 166. This month is a perfect time to focus on the Holy Spirit and invite Him into your lives.
- ❑ Fire is a traditional symbol of the Holy Spirit. Place a candle in a place of honor in your home – for example, on the mantle or on a shelf with a crucifix and an

icon of Mary or a saint. This candle can be a reminder of the Holy Spirit's presence in your home.

- ❑ Pray together the Come Holy Spirit. In this traditional prayer we ask the Holy Spirit to make us new and fill our hearts with wisdom.
- ❑ *Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of Your faithful and enkindle in them the fire of Your love. Send forth Your Spirit, and they shall be created. And You shall renew the face of the earth. O God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit, did instruct the hearts of the faithful, grant us in the same Spirit to be truly wise and ever to rejoice in His consolation. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

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

- ❑ **Recite this month's Scripture Memorization:**
  - ❑ Parent's Guide: Page 164, 167,
  - ❑ Activity Book: Pages 121, 122.
- ❑ **Define this month's Words to Know.**
  - ❑ Parent's Guide: Pages 172, 187,
  - ❑ Activity Book: Page: 139.
- ❑ **Explain who the Holy Spirit is and the significance of Pentecost:**
  - ❑ Parent's Guide: Pages 173-183, 188-190,
  - ❑ Activity Book: Pages 123, 124, 125, 126, 127 (Answers in Parent's Guide: Page 180).
- ❑ **Understand that the Church is both visible and invisible; human and divine:**
  - ❑ Parent's Guide: Pages 191-193, 196-202,
  - ❑ Activity Book: Pages: 128-129 (Answers in Parent's Guide: Pages 192-193), 130 (Answers in Parent's Guide: Page 193), 134-138.
- ❑ **Tell you about St. Peter and how he cared for Christ's flock as the first pope:**
  - ❑ Parent's Guide: Pages 191-193, 194-195.
  - ❑ Activity Books: Pages 128-129 (Answers in Parent's Guide: Pages 192-193), 130 (Answers in Parent's Guide: Page 193), 131-133.

### **March in Review**

#### **THIS MONTH YOU EXPLORED AS A FAMILY THE QUESTIONS:**

- ❑ **Who is the Holy Spirit?**
  - ❑ Parent's Guide: **'I Will Not Leave You as Orphans' p. 173-174, Who Is the Holy Spirit? P. 175-177, The Birthday of the Church p. 178-179, Symbols of the Holy Spirit p. 180-183, The Holy Spirit in Our Lives p. 188-190,**
  - ❑ Activity Book: **Who Is the Holy Spirit? P. 123, Who Is the Holy Spirit? P. 124-125, Happy Birthday Songwriting p. 126, Symbols of the Holy Spirit p.127 (Answers in Parent's Guide: The Birthday of the Church p. 180).**
- ❑ **What is the Church?**
  - ❑ Parent's Guide: **The Church Has Jesus' Authority p. 191-193, The Church is the Body of Christ p. 196-197, The People of God p. 198-199,**
  - ❑ Activity Book: **Keys to the Kingdom p. 128-129 (Answers in Parent's Guide: The**

**Church Has Jesus' Authority p. 192-193), The Spirit and the Church p. 130**  
(Answers in Parent's Guide: **The Church Has Jesus' Authority p. 193**), **The Church Is the People of God p. 134-135, We Are the People of God p. 136-137.**

- ❑ **What is the Church's mission and what is my part in that mission?**
  - ❑ Parent's Guide: **The Mission of the Church p. 200-201, Our Mission in the Church and the World p. 202**
  - ❑ Activity Book: **We Are the People of God p. 136-137, Priest, Prophet, and King p. 138.**

**In Lesson 10 your children learned that:**

- ❑ **The Holy Spirit is the Third Divine Person of the Trinity.**
  - ❑ Parent's Guide: **'I Will Not Leave You as Orphans' p. 173-174, Who Is the Holy Spirit? P. 175-177, The Birthday of the Church p. 178-179, Symbols of the Holy Spirit p. 180-183.**
  - ❑ Activity Book: **Who Is the Holy Spirit? p. 123, Who Is the Holy Spirit? p.124-125, Happy Birthday Songwriting p. 126, Symbols of the Holy Spirit p. 127** (Answers in Parent's Guide: **Symbols of the Holy Spirit p. 180**).
- ❑ **Jesus established His Church and made St. Peter the first pope.**
  - ❑ Parent's Guide: **The Church Has Jesus' Authority p. 191-193,**
  - ❑ Activity Book: **Keys to the Kingdom p. 128-129** (Answers in Parent's Guide: **The Church Has Jesus' Authority p. 192-193**), **The Spirit and the Church p. 130** (Answers in Parent's Guide: **The Church Has Jesus' Authority p.193**).
- ❑ **The Church was born when the Holy Spirit was poured out at Pentecost.**
  - ❑ Parent's Guide: **Who Is the Holy Spirit? 175-177, The Birthday of the Church p. 178.**
  - ❑ Activity Book: **Who Is the Holy Spirit? p. 123, Who Is the Holy Spirit? P. 124-125, Happy Birthday Songwriting p. 126.**
- ❑ **The Holy Spirit guides the Church today.**
  - ❑ Parent's Guide: **The Holy Spirit in Our Lives p. 188-190, The Church Has Jesus' Authority p. 191-193.**
  - ❑ Activity Book: **Keys to the Kingdom p. 128-129** (Answers in Parent's Guide: **The Church Has Jesus' Authority p. 192-193**), **The Spirit and the Church p. 130** (Answers in Parent's Guide: **Church Has Jesus' Authority p. 193**).

**In Lesson 11 your children learned that:**

- ❑ **The People of God are not defined by race, ethnicity, or culture, but by our faith in Jesus and obedience to His commands.**
  - ❑ Parent's Guide: **The People of God p. 198-199.**
  - ❑ Activity Book: **The Church Is the People of God p.134-135, We Are the People of God p.136-137.**
- ❑ **Every baptized Christian shares in Christ's office as priest, prophet and king.**
  - ❑ Parent's Guide: **Our Mission in the Church and the World p. 202.**
  - ❑ Activity Book: **Priest, Prophet, and King p. 138.**
- ❑ **Members of the Church make up the Mystical Body of Christ.**
  - ❑ Parent's Guide: **The Church is the Body of Christ p. 196-197.**

- ❑ Activity Book: **The Church Is the People of God** p. 134-135, **We Are the People of God** p. 136-137.
  
- ❑ **Christ gave the Apostles and their successors the mission of teaching, sanctifying and governing in His name and by His power.**
  - ❑ Parent's Guide: **The Mission of the Church** p. 200-201,
  - ❑ Activity Book: **Keys to the Kingdom** p. 128-129 (Answers in Parent's Guide: **The Church Has Jesus' Authority** p. 192-193), **The Spirit and the Church** p. 130 (Answers in Parent's Guide: **The Church Has Jesus' Authority** p. 193).
  
- ❑ **Recommended Activities:**
  - ❑ Parent's Guide: Pages 166, 167, 169, 172, 173-174, 175-177, 178, 179, 180-183, 187, 188-190, 191-193, 194-195, 196-197, 198-199, 200-201, 202, 203.
  - ❑ Activities from the Activity Book: Pages 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127 (Answers in Parent's Guide: Page 180), 128-129, (Answers in Parent's Guide: Pages 192-193), 130 (Answer in Parent's Guide: Page 193), 131- 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139.

## Suggested Weekly Learning Goals March

| Weekly Teaching for Parents |   |
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| 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 172 and 187. 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 Peter</b> Parents and children should read the brief biography of Saint Peter on Parent Guide pages 194-195</li> <li>❑ <b>Learn Scripture Verse:</b> Begin reciting daily the <b>Scripture verse for the month</b>. <b>“I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you.”</b> (John 14:18)</li> </ul>  |
| Week 2                      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❑ <b>Parent and Child Activities:</b> Parents should choose one or more activities to teach about the nature of the Holy Spirit, what happened at Pentecost, and the mission of the Church in the Parents Guide pages 173-183, 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>❑ The Holy Spirit is the Third Divine Person of the Trinity.</li> <li>❑ Jesus established His Church and made St. Peter the first pope.</li> <li>❑ The Church was born when the Holy Spirit was poured out at Pentecost.</li> <li>❑ The Holy Spirit guides the Church today.</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 authority of the Church and our mission as people of God in the Parents Guide on pages 186-202 to teach their children.</li> <li>❑ <b>Learning Goals for the Week:</b> Child should understand that -             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❑ The People of God are not defined by race, ethnicity, or culture, but by our faith in Jesus and obedience to His commands.</li> <li>❑ Every baptized Christian shares in Christ’s office as priest, prophet, and king.</li> <li>❑ Members of the Church make up the Mystical Body of Christ.</li> <li>❑ Christ gave the Apostles and their successors the mission</li> <li>❑ of teaching, sanctifying and governing in His name and by His power.</li> </ul> </li> <li>❑ <b>Your Catholic Home:</b> Parents should teach their children about the importance of the Holy Spirit in their lives. Fire is the traditional symbol of the Holy Spirit. Place a candle in a place of honor in your home and make a commitment to praying the <i>Come Holy Spirit</i> Prayer throughout the month.</li> </ul> |