

A FAMILY OF Faith



March English Guide Year 3

- ❑ **VERSE OF THE MONTH:** John 13:34-35: *I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another. This is how all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.*
 - ❑ Parent's Guide: Page 189
 - ❑ Activity Book: Page 136

- ❑ **SAINT OF THE MONTH: SAINT Katharine Drexel**
 - ❑ Parent's Guide: Pages 207-208
 - ❑ Activity Book: Pages 149-151

Overview Lesson 10 The New Commandments and the works of Mercy

The aim of this lesson is for your children to learn that, at the Last Supper, Christ gave us the New Commandment, which He declares is the surest sign that we are His disciples.

- ❑ **WORDS TO KNOW:**
 - ❑ Parent's Guide: Page 195
 - ❑ Activity Book: Page 163-164
- ❑ **Activities and Key Concepts Lesson 10: Parent's Guide: Page 193-194**

Overview Lesson 11 The First through the Fourth Beatitudes

Your children will learn the Church teaches that God placed the desire for happiness in each of our hearts. In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus gave us the Beatitudes to show us what it means to be happy.

- ❑ **WORDS TO KNOW:**
 - ❑ Parent's Guide: Page 210
 - ❑ Activity Book: Page 163-164
- ❑ **Activities and Key Concepts Lesson 11: Parent's Guide: 209**
- ❑ **Your Catholic Home: The Solemnity of St. Joseph:** Parent's Guide: Page 188. The month of March is dedicated to Jesus' foster father, St. Joseph. This makes it a

great time to especially remember the importance of fathers to all of our lives. Jesus could have come to earth any way He wanted, but He chose to be raised by a mother and a father. Jesus, who is God Himself, was obedient to His father as a child. What greater sign could there be of God's respect for the authority He gives to parents? Jesus modeled for us the just order of the family and the Fourth Commandment. St. Joseph is the patron and protector of families. Place an icon of St. Joseph in your prayer corner if you have one, or another special place in your home, on the solemnity of St. Joseph (March 19). Ask him to help your family be poor in spirit just as the Holy Family was, recognizing that all your blessings come from God.

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

- Recite this month's Scripture Memorization:**
 - Parent's Guide: Page 189
 - Activity Book: Page 136
- Define this month's Words to Know.**
 - Parent's Guide: Pages 195,
 - Activity Book: Page: 163-164
- Tell you about St. Katharine Drexel.**
 - Parent's Guide: Page 189, 207-208
 - Activity Books: Page 149-151

March in Review

THIS MONTH YOU EXPLORED AS A FAMILY THE QUESTIONS:

- How does the New Commandment sum up the entire law of the Gospel?**
 - Parent's Guide: **Foot Washing p. 196-198, Good Samaritan Theater p. 205, Jesus Teaches Us How Love p. 206**
 - Activity Book: **Foot Washing p. 137, Good Samaritan Theater p. 144, Jesus Teaches us How to Love p. 147**
- How can I live out the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy in my own life?**
 - Parent's Guide: **Works of Mercy Quotations p. 199, Living the Corporal Works of Mercy p. 200-201, The Spiritual Works of Mercy p. 202-203, The Works of Mercy in My Own Life p. 204**
 - Activity Book: **Living the Corporal Works of Mercy p. 139, The Corporal Works of Mercy p. 140, The Spiritual Works of Mercy Match-Up p. 141, The Works of Mercy in My Own Life p. 142**
- What makes me truly happy?**
 - Parent's Guide: **Blessed p. 211-212, What Is Happiness? P. 213-214, My Beatitudes Book p. 220**
 - Activity Book: **Sermon on the Mount p. 152, What Is Happiness? P. 153, My Beatitudes Book p. 159**

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 - Activity Book: **Foot Washing p. 137, Good Samaritan Theater p. 144, Jesus**

Teaches us How to Love p. 147

- ❑ **The Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy help us respond to the needs of our brothers and sisters.**
 - ❑ Parent's Guide: **Works of Mercy Quotations** p. 199, **Living the Corporal Works of Mercy** p. 200-201, **The Spiritual Works of Mercy** p. 202-203, **The Works of Mercy in My Own Life** p. 204
 - ❑ Activity Book: **Living the Corporal Works of Mercy** p. 139, **The Corporal Works of Mercy** p. 140, **The Spiritual Works of Mercy Match-Up** p. 141, **The Works of Mercy in My Own Life** p. 142

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 - ❑ Parent's Guide: **Blessed** p. 211-212, **What Is Happiness?** p. 213-214
 - ❑ Activity Book: **Sermon on the Mount** p. 152, **What Is Happiness?** p. 153

- ❑ **In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus gave us the Beatitudes to show us what it means to be happy.**
 - ❑ Parent's Guide: **Blessed** p. 211-212, **Jesus Lives Out the First through Fourth Beatitudes** p. 215-217, **Salt and Light** p. 218-219
 - ❑ Activity Book: **Sermon on the Mount** p. 152, **Jesus Lives Out the Beatitudes** p. 154

- ❑ **Recommended Activities:**
 - ❑ Parent's Guide: 196-198, 199, 200, 201, 202-203, 204, 205, 206, 211-212, 213-214, 215-217, 218-219, 220
 - ❑ Children's Activity Book: 137, 139-140, 141, 142, 144, 147, 152, 153, 154, 159

Suggested Weekly Learning Goals March

| Weekly Teaching for Parents | |
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| Week 1 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❑ Introduce Words to Know: Parents discuss words to know with their children on Parent Guide pages 195 and 210. Teach their children what the words mean. ❑ Understand Words to Know: By the end of the week, the children should know how to explain and define the words to know. ❑ Get to know St Katharine Drexel Parents and children should read the brief biography of Saint Katharine on Parent Guide pages 207-208 ❑ Learn Scripture Verse: Begin reciting daily the Scripture verse for the month. <i>"I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another. This is how all will know that you are my disciples if you have love for one another"</i> (John 13:35-35) |
| Week 2 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❑ Parent and Child Activities: Parents should choose one or more activities on the New commandment and the Works of Mercy in the Parents Guide pages 195-208, lead the children through this activity. ❑ Learning Goal for the Week: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❑ The child should understand that - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❑ Christ gave us the New Commandment, which he declares is |

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| | <p>the surest sign that we are His disciples.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❑ The Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy help us respond to the needs of our brothers and sisters. ❑ The child should be able to answer the questions - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❑ How does the New Commandment sum up the entire law of the Gospel? ❑ How can I live out the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy in my own life? |
| Week 3 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❑ Parent and Child Activities: Parents should choose one or more activities on the first four Beatitudes in the Parents Guide on pages 211-220 to teach their children. ❑ Learning Goals for the Week: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❑ The Child should understand that - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❑ God placed the desire for happiness in each of our hearts. ❑ In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus gave us the Beatitudes to show us what it means to be happy. ❑ The Child should be able to answer the question - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❑ What makes me truly happy? ❑ Your Catholic Home: St. Joseph is the patron and protector of families. Place an icon of St. Joseph in your prayer corner if you have one, or another special place in your home, on the solemnity of St. Joseph (March 19). Ask him to help your family be poor in spirit just as the Holy Family was, recognizing that all your blessings come from God. |