

My Sacred Self

The Holy Family

Discuss with your child the Holy Family, the family that God created for Jesus on earth. Explain that Jesus needed a family on earth to take care of him because he was born a baby, just as we were. Discuss ways in which Mary and Joseph may have taken care of baby Jesus and helped him grow and learn.



God Creates Families

Remind your child that God created us and loves us just as we are. Look at a family photo together and share your memories of the day that is depicted. Explain that God loves your family so much that he gave you one another to care for and help one another grow and learn!

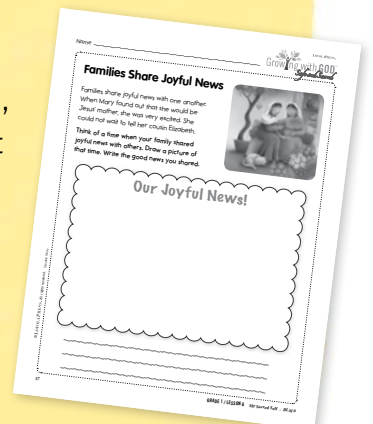


Our Family's Faith

Explain that your family relies on your faith in God to guide you in caring for one another. Remind your child that the Hail Mary is a prayer that honors Mary, the Mother of God. Pray together the Hail Mary. Begin and end the prayer by praying the Sign of the Cross.

Families Share Joyful News

Tell your child that families share joyful news with one another. Show your child his or her baptismal, birth, or adoption certificate or the earliest photo you have of your child. Talk about how you shared the joyful news of your child with other family members. Then invite your child to share the joyful family news he or she wrote about on the handout.



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Families share joyful news with one another. When Mary found out that she would be Jesus' mother, she was very excited. She could not wait to tell her cousin Elizabeth.

Think of a time when your family shared joyful news with others. Draw a picture of that time. Write the good news you shared.



Our Joyful News!
