

OVERVIEW

This activity encourages children aged ten to thirteen to express and share aspects of their Catholic faith that are meaningful to them. Through creative communication, they will explore how they practice their faith and share the Gospel message in their daily lives.

OBJECTIVE

Communicate aspects of Catholic identity creatively.

ACTIVITY STEPS

1. Reflection Time

Begin with a short reflection or discussion about being Catholic. Ask questions like the following:

- What do you love most about your faith?
- How do you practice your faith at home, at school, or in the community?
- What are some ways you share your faith with others?

2. Choose a Focus

Have each child select one aspect of the faith to share. This could be:

- A favorite prayer or devotion
- · A saint the child admires and why
- An important teaching of the Church
- A personal experience of faith (e.g., helping others, participating in Mass)

3. Creative Expression

Provide different options for how the children can communicate their chosen aspect of faith. Here are some ideas:

- Create a drawing, painting, or collage
- Write and perform a short skit or story
- Record a short video
- · Design a poster
- Write a poem or song

4. Sharing

After completing their projects, organize a "Faith Sharing Day" where the children present their work to the group. Encourage them to explain:

- Why they chose that particular aspect of their faith
- What it means to them personally
- How they practice or share this part of their faith

5. Discussion

After all presentations, hold a discussion on what they learned from each other. Ask the following questions:

- What surprised you about someone else's faith experience?
- How can we support each other in living out our faith?

6. Reflection

Conclude with a prayer, thanking God for the diverse ways we experience and share our faith.

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