

*St. Mary of the Assumption Parish
Lancaster, NY
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Family activity # 5

This activity acquaints you with the New Testament and focuses on the Parable of Jesus. A parable is the story Jesus used to teach a lesson. Example: The parable of the lost coin

Activity # 1 - Today, we look at the New Testament. There are 27 books in the New Testament. Look at NT table of contents in your Bible. Do you see the following?

- 4 Gospels (Matthew, Mark, Luke and John)
- Acts of the Apostles (St. Luke - story of the early Church with St. Peter and St. Paul)
- 21 Epistles or letters (many attributed to St. Paul)
- Book of Revelation (St. John)

Activity # 2 - Parables of Jesus: Read and/or watch the following or any parables your child might be interested in.

- Google: You tube Parable of the lost sheep (3min 22 sec) (Luke 15:1-7)
- Google: You tube Best Bible Stories for Kids - Good Samaritan - animated (6 min 29 sec.) (Luke 10:25-37)
- Google: You tube Best Bible Stories for Kids – The Unmerciful Servant (4 min 21 sec) (Matthew 18:21-35)
- Google: You tube parable of the lost coin (4 min 6 sec) (Luke 15:8-10)

Journal questions: Which parable did you learn about today? What lesson did you learn? (Repeat this question after each parable.)

Activity # 3 - Veterans Day Activity

This Friday, our country celebrates Veterans' day. What is a veteran? Does your family know any veterans? Find at least one veteran among your family and/or friends and ask for how long did they serve our country and where they served. Did they ever feel that their safety was ever in danger? Did they feel close to God or did they rely upon God during the time that they were away from their family? How is their faith now?

Journal questions: Write about the interview you did with the veteran. What did you learn about him or her and what did you learn about their faith in God?