

*St. Mary of the Assumption Parish
Lancaster, NY
November 13, 2016*



Family activity # 6

This week, we will continue looking the Gospels; in particular, we will be learning about some of the miracles of Jesus. As we approach Thanksgiving, we will also focus on gratitude!

Activity # 1 - Miracles of Jesus (Younger children may watch the stories, while older children may prefer to read the stories from the Bible. Choose any 4 miracles)

- You tube Teaching Kids about Jesus – Jesus walking on water (2min 56 sec) (Mark 6:45-56) or U tube Jesus walks on water Matthew 14 Sunday School Lesson Resource (3 min 18 sec) (Matthew 14:22-33)
- You tube Bible Stories for kids – Jesus Heals the Centurion’s son (3 min 8 sec) (Matt 8:5-11)
- You tube Parable of the lost coin (4 min 6 sec) (Luke 13:3-10)
- You tube Bible Stories for kids – Jesus heals the paralytic (3 min 13 sec) (Mark 2:1-12)
- You tube Jesus healing the leper animation video (4 min 40 sec) (Mark1:40-45)
- You tube Jesus turns water into wine John 2 lesson resource (3 min 7 sec) (John2:1-12)
- You tube Jesus feeds the 5,000 Matthew 14 Sunday School lesson resource (2 min 56 sec) (Matthew 14:13-21) or U tube Bible Stories for Kids – Feeding 5,000 animated Children’s Bible stories (3 min 54 sec)

(You may google: You tube Miracles of Jesus for kids – to find additional miracles.)

Journal questions: Name the miracle that you learned about. Write something about that miracle. (Repeat after each miracle story.)

Activity # 2 - Gratitude

Create a “Gratitude” box to increase awareness of the many gifts we receive from God each day. It could be an empty shoe box or Kleenex box. Give the task of decorating it to one of the family members. Another family member might prepare small strips of paper to be placed next to the box. From today till Thanksgiving, family members will write something for which he/she is grateful. Family members might encourage one another by a comment such as: “Wow, it is awesome that you won that game. You could write it down for the gratitude box.” During this week, take time to share what your family is grateful for.

On Thanksgiving Day, maybe during the prayer before the meal, these slips of paper could be read by mom and/or dad or various family members.

Journal questions: Who decorated your family’s gratitude box? Have a family discussion about what your family is grateful for. Write some of these things in the journal.