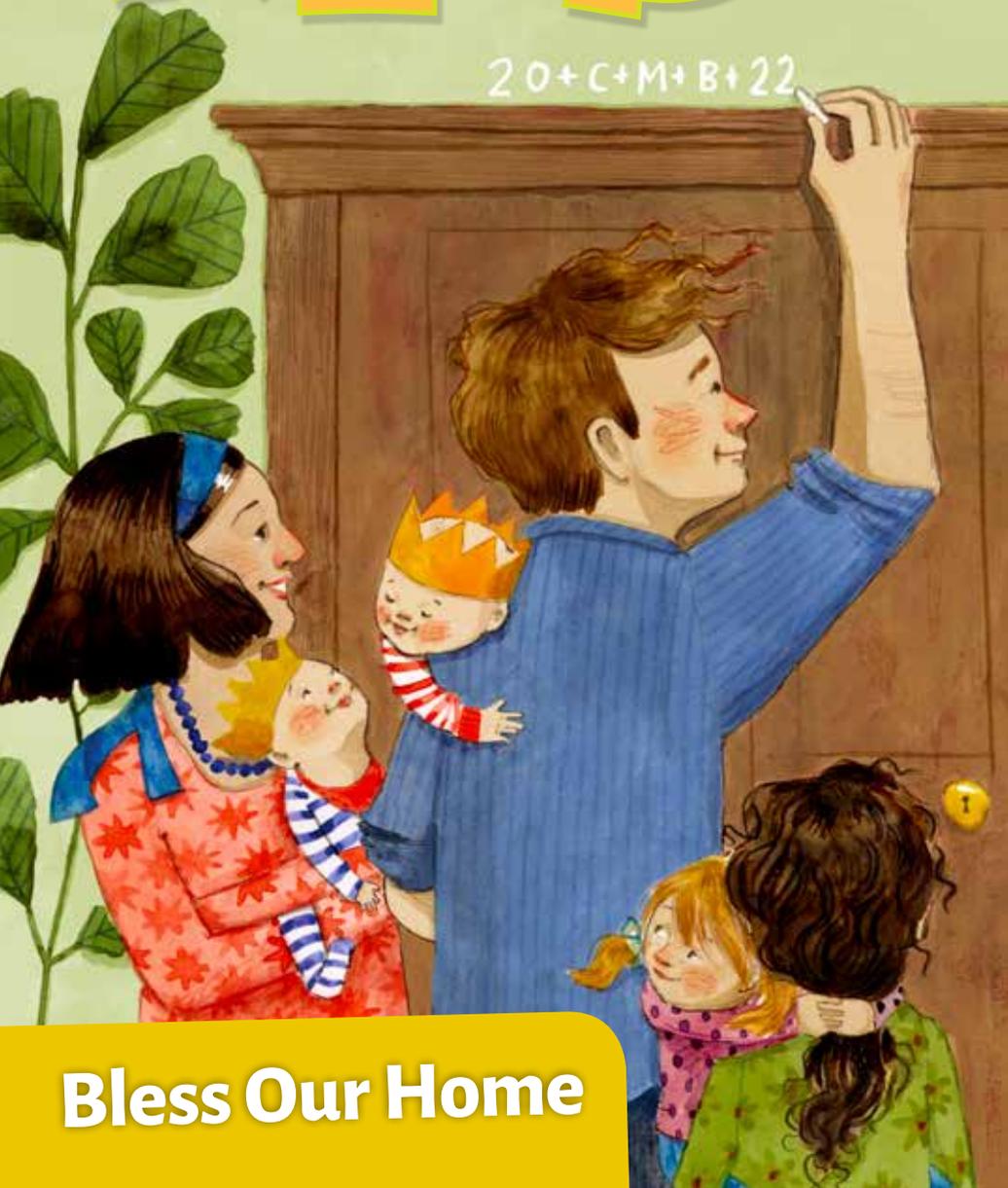


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Bless Our Home

HAPPENING THIS MONTH!

PARENTS: Look for the light bulb, then visit Page 23 to learn more.



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Welcome to January!

Happy New Year! How can you grow as a child of God as the year begins? Don't forget to start the year with an Epiphany blessing.



Gather as a family to bless your home with an Epiphany blessing. Write 20+C+M+B+22 above your door. Then say the following prayer:

Lord God of heaven and earth, you revealed your only-begotten Son to every nation by the guidance of a star. Bless this house and all who inhabit it. Fill them (us) with the light of Christ, that their (our) concern for others may reflect your love. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Jan. 2
The Epiphany
of the Lord



Teeny Tiny Theology

Word of the month

Incarnation

When Jesus became man in the womb of his mother, Mary. It comes from a Latin word meaning “in the flesh.”

View OSV's Teeny Tiny Theology board book series at OSVCatholicBookstore.com

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January 2022

Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday

Solemnity/Feast/Memorial
Optional Memorial



Christmas Season



Martyr



Ordinary Time



Day of Penance

Celebrate! suggestion

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CELEBRATE!

Live liturgically with these suggestions from *Catholic Sprouts*!

The Name of Jesus

The Church celebrates the Holy Name of Jesus on Jan. 3. St. Paul tells us “that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend of those in heaven and on earth and under the earth” (Phil 2:10). So, Jesus’ name is also a prayer! Repeat the powerful name of Jesus and ask him to be with you.

JESUS

Remember your Baptism

This Jan. 9, the Church celebrates Jesus’ baptism. Take some time to think about your own baptism. What does it mean to you? Ask your parents to show you a picture from that day.



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Nancy Bandzuch and her husband, Bill, run *Catholic Sprouts*, a ministry for Catholic families. Check out their daily podcast for Catholic kids and training for building and leading your own Domestic Church at catholicsprouts.com.



The Most Holy Name of Jesus

There is power in the name of Jesus. Coming from the Greek alphabet, the letters IHS are a symbol for Jesus' name. Point to the I, H, and S letters that look the same.

H

I

H

IH

I

S

H

S

S

I

I

S

Jan. 1

CREATE



Our Mother Mary

Jesus is God's son, and Mary is his mother. That means that Mary, who is the mother of Jesus, is the mother of God. She is also the spiritual mother of us all. Color in the photo frame and hang Mary's picture up, just like you would of your own mother!

Use password **KIDSMORE** to download more copies of the activity at bit.ly/activityOSVKids



1 Color Jesus, Mary, and their halos. Make sure to add faces. Then color the frame.



2 Cut out Jesus and Mary.



3 Paste the halos in the frame, then paste the bodies on top of the halos.



4 Pray the prayer by St. Teresa of Calcutta on the frame, and hang your artwork up in your home.

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IN THE BIBLE

The Wedding at Cana

Listen close! We hear this Gospel reading at Mass this month.

Jesus' mother was at a wedding in Cana of Galilee, where Jesus and his disciples were invited. When they began to run out of wine, she said, "They have no wine."

Jesus asked, "Why are you telling me this? It is not my time yet."

Jesus' mother told the servers, "Do whatever he tells you."

Jesus told the servers to fill with water six large stone jars that were there for washing. So they filled them to the top.

Then he told them to take some water out and bring it to the headwaiter. So they took it.

When the headwaiter tasted the water that was changed to wine, he said, "You saved the best wine until now."

Based on John 2:1-10



At home?



At school?



At your parish?



In your community?

Jan. 9
The Baptism
of the Lord

CAN YOU FIND?

Jesus was baptized and accepted his mission as our savior. We share in his mission through our own baptism, which wipes away original sin and makes us one with him.

2 angels

lilies

Jesus

John the Baptist

the Holy Spirit

4 shells

Jordan River

jumping fish

staff

locust



Write a Letter

St. Paul the Apostle loved to teach people about Jesus and how to live the Gospel. To do this, he wrote letters to different groups of people. Now it's your turn! Fill in the blanks in the letter on the right with one of the emojis below.



awesome



hi



angels



happy



earth



peace



praying



love

_____ Friend,

I am _____ for you. Jesus is the Lord of all, and he taught us how to be _____. Follow him! He wants us to _____ each other as he loved us. His love is _____! And so we must all serve him: those here on _____ and _____ in heaven. _____ be with you!

Love, Your friend

Jan. 28

SAINTLY RHYME

St. Thomas Aquinas

St. Thomas Aquinas was one of the Church's greatest teachers. His writings help us learn about God and our faith. He explained that God is the reason for everything.

**St. Thomas was a friar
With a brilliant mind.
He studied, taught, and wrote a lot
Of God and all mankind.**

**He proved to countless people
God really does exist
And gave us lovely Latin hymns
About the Eucharist.**

Meghan Bausch is a mother to three little ones and enjoys creating these rhymes and artwork in her spare time. Get the original Saintly Rhymes book from OSV and look for her next book to be released in fall 2023.



In the Beginning...

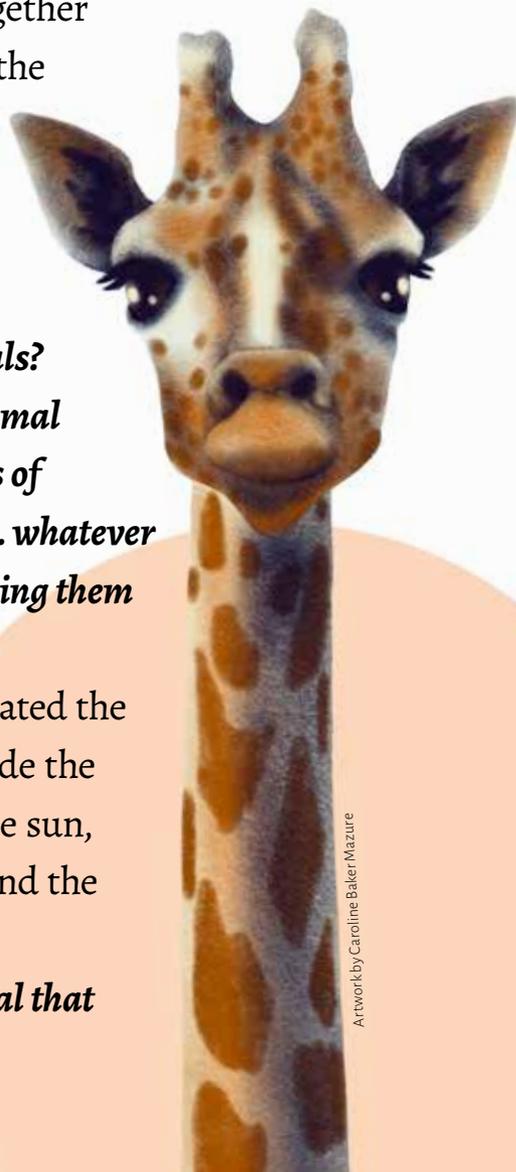
By Katie Warner

Let's dive into the Bible together and journey way back to the creation of the world. We are going to need some animal friends to join us in our story today.

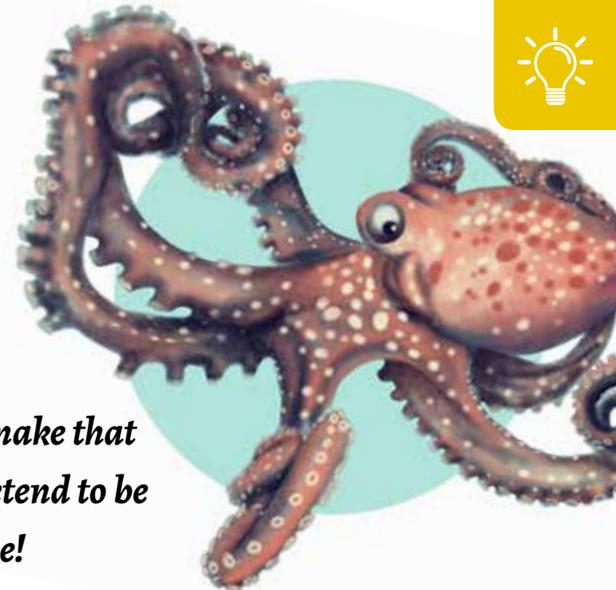
Can you go find some animals? Grab some stuffed animals, animal figurines, hand-drawn pictures of animals, or magazine cutouts ... whatever animal friends you can find, bring them here for story time!

In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. He made the light, the land and the seas, the sun, the moon, the stars, the fish and the birds, and the land animals.

What is your favorite animal that



Artwork by Caroline Baker-Mazure



God made? Can you make that animal's sound or pretend to be that animal? Show me!

Isn't God so creative?

God saw all that he had made, and it was good. But God created something extra special on the sixth day. Something very good.

Do you know what he created?

Yes, people! He saved the best for last.

God made us in his image and likeness, and he gave people a special role in his creation. He even gave people dominion over the animals. He allowed Adam to name the animals, showing his authority over them.

Naming is an action of great power in Scripture. Names are still important to us today.

What is your name? Ask your parents how they decided on your name and what your name means.

Now, pretend to be Adam living way back in the time of creation.

March your animals in front of you, and as they pass by, point to each one and give them a name.

Do you know what God did on the seventh day? He rested.

Can you and your animals lie down and snore?

See you next time, and we will experience the time of the Patriarchs!



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TIME TO PRAY

Jesus, Our Light

The Christmas season is brightened by so many lights. This is because Christ is the Light of the World. Let us pray his light can shine ever brighter!

Jesus, be our light!
Shine brightly in our world!
Shine brightly in our lives!
Shine brightly everywhere!
You are the Light of the World!

How can
Jesus' light
shine better
through you?

Who reflects
Jesus' light
best to you?

WHAT IS ...

a Priest?

A Catholic priest is a man who helps the bishops lead the Church and celebrates the sacraments in Jesus' name.

Priests attend a special school called a seminary.

They make Jesus Christ present in the Eucharist when they celebrate Mass.



JUST FOR PARENTS

More information to share with curious kids!

Solemnity of the Epiphany

On the solemnity of the Lord's Epiphany, the Church celebrates how Jesus is Lord of all the nations. This was first made clear to the magi who visited the Christ Child and presented him gifts. It was further made clear in Jesus' baptism, when the heavens opened and the Father's voice identified him as his son. And it was also shown at the wedding in Cana when Jesus showed forth his divinity in his first public miracle. Christ is truly the Light of the Nations, the Light of the World, the Light in the Darkness that our world needs. In what ways can your family enlighten others with the light of Christ? How can his light shine better in our homes? The traditional Epiphany blessing includes the current year and the letters C, M, and B, standing for the traditional names of the three magi: Caspar, Melchior, and Balthasar.

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Story Time

Parents, we are excited to welcome Katie Warner to OSV Kids magazine. For every issue in 2022, Katie will be writing interactive stories just for kids based on stories in the Bible. Your kids will be able to experience Scripture in a fun and exciting way — of course, while learning! Katie is a bestselling author of many books. You can browse her whole collection at FirstFaithTreasury.com, including one of our favorites, "Father Ben Gets Ready for Mass" (TAN, \$16.95), and the 2021 release "Listening for God: Silence Practice for Little Ones" (TAN, \$16.95).

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What Is?

A new section of OSV Kids magazine will give an introductory look into different aspects of the Catholic Faith. A few times a year, including this month, we will focus on various vocations within the Church.

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Jim Olvera OSV owned

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