

# A FAMILY OF Faith



## October English Guide Year 4

- ❑ **VERSE OF THE MONTH:** John 4:14 *Whoever drinks the water I shall give will never thirst; the water I shall give will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life.*

- ❑ Parent's Guide: Page 14
- ❑ Children's Activity Book: Pages 8

- ❑ **SAINT OF THE MONTH: Saint Teresa of Avila**

- ❑ Parent's Guide: Pages 14, 18, 53-54
- ❑ Children's Activity Book: Pages 20-22

### October Overview Lesson 1 Heaven: What is Prayer?

The aim of this lesson is for your children to understand that in order to have a relationship with God, we must pray.

- ❑ **WORDS TO KNOW:**

- ❑ Parent's Guide: 22
- ❑ Children's Activity Book: 23

- ❑ **Activities and Key Concepts Lesson 1: Parent's Guide: Page 21**

### October Overview Lesson 2: Prayer in Salvation History

In this lesson your children learn that when our heart responds to the invitation from the heart of God to enter into a relationship with Him, we have entered into a covenant. By observing the development of prayer in the Old Testament figures of Abraham and Moses, we can see how this covenantal relationship of prayer reaches its fulfillment through the prayer of Jesus Christ.

- ❑ **WORDS TO KNOW:**

- ❑ Parent's Guide: Page 37
- ❑ Children's Activity Book: Page 23

- ❑ **Activities and Key Concepts Lesson 2: Parent's Guide: Page 36**

- ❑ **Your Catholic Home: Prayer to your Guardian Angel** Parent's Guide: Page 16.

The Feast of the Guardian Angels is celebrated on October 2. Each and every one of us has a guardian angel who shepherds and defends us while we are here on earth. We should befriend our guardian angels since God has given them the task of watching

over us. They are our constant companions, so we should pray to them to defend us from everything that can do us harm, and we should ask their guidance in our decisions.

**BY THE END OF THIS MONTH, YOUR CHILDREN SHOULD BE ABLE TO:**

- Recite this month's Scripture Memorization.**
  - Parents Guide: Page 14
  - Children's Activity Book: Pages 7, 8
- Define this month's Words to Know.**
  - Parent's Guide: Page 22, 37
  - Activity Book: Page 23
- Tell about Our Lady of Fatima and Saint Teresa of Avila:**
  - Parent's Guide: Pages 11, 12, 34-35, 53-54
  - Children's Activity Book: Pages 13-15, 20-22.

### **October in Review**

**THIS MONTH YOU EXPLORED AS A FAMILY THE QUESTIONS:**

- Who is the one who knows us best?**
  - Parent guide: **The Samaritan Woman at the Well p. 23-25, God Inside Our Hearts p. 28, My Prayer Journal p. 31**
  - Student Activity book: **The Samaritan Woman at the Well p.9, God Inside Our Heart p.11, 178**
- How can we develop a relationship with God?**
  - Parent guide: **The Samaritan Woman at the Well p. 23-25, Why Is It Important to Pray? P. 29-30, Glory Be Cross p. 32-33,**
  - Student Activity book: **The Samaritan Woman at the Well p. 9, Glory Be Cross p. 12**
- Should we trust God no matter what?**
  - Parent guide: **Response of Faith p. 38-42, Jesus Follows His Father's Will p. 50-52**
  - Student Activity book: **Jesus Follows His Father's Will p. 19**

**In Lesson 1 Your children learned that:**

- God lives in our innermost hearts.**
  - Parent guide: **The Samaritan Woman at the Well p.23-25, God Inside Our Hearts p.28, My Prayer Journal p. 31**
  - Student Activity book: **The Samaritan Woman at the Well p.9, God Inside Our Heart p.11, Prayer Journal p. 178**
- God always takes the initiative in prayer.**
  - Parent guide: **The Samaritan Woman at the Well p. 23-25**
  - Student Activity book: **The Samaritan Woman at the Well p.9**
- We must be humble to receive the gift of prayer.**
  - Parent guide: **God's Call p.26-27**
  - Student Activity book: **God's Call p.10**

**In Lesson 2 your children learned we are:**

- When we enter into a relationship with God, we enter into a covenant with Him.**

- ❑ Parent guide: **Response of Faith p.38-42, Family Prayer Commitment p.48-49**
- ❑ Student Activity book: **Family Prayer Commitment p.18**
- ❑ **Abraham is an example of someone who has great faith in prayer, and Moses is an example of someone who prays for others.**
  - ❑ Parent guide: **Test of Faith p.43-45, Praying for Others p.46-47**
  - ❑ Student Activity book: **Abraham's Faith p. 16-17**
- ❑ **The covenantal relationship of prayer reaches its fulfillment through the prayer of Jesus Christ.**
  - ❑ Parent guide: **Response of Faith p.38-42, Jesus Follows His Father's Will p.50-52**
  - ❑ Student Activity book: **Jesus Follows His Father's Will p. 19**
- ❑ **Recommended Activities:**
  - ❑ Parent's Guide: Pages 23-25, 26-27, 28, 29-30, 31, 32-33, 38-42, 43-45, 46-47, 48-49, 50-52
  - ❑ Children's Activity Book: Pages 9, 10, 11, 12, 16-17, 18, 19, 178

<b>Weekly Teaching for Parents</b>	
Week 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❑ <b>Introduce Words to Know:</b> Parents discuss <b>words to know</b> with their children on Parent Guide pages 22 and 36. Teach their children what the words mean.</li> <li>❑ <b>Understand Words to Know:</b> By the end of the week, the children should know how to <b>explain and define the words to know</b>.</li> <li>❑ <b>Get to know St Teresa of Ávila</b> Parents and children should read the brief biography of Saint Teresa on Parent Guide pages 53-54</li> <li>❑ <b>Learn Scripture Verse:</b> Begin reciting daily the <b>Scripture verse for the month</b>. <i>“Whoever drinks the water I shall give will never thirst; the water I shall give will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life.”</i> (John 4:14)</li> </ul>
Week 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❑ <b>Parent and Child Activities:</b> Parents should choose one or more activities on Prayer in the Parents Guide pages 23-33, lead the children through this activity.</li> <li>❑ <b>Learning Goal for the Week:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❑ <b>The child should understand that -</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❑ God always takes the initiative in prayer.</li> <li>❑ We must be humble to receive the gift of prayer.</li> <li>❑ God lives in our innermost hearts.</li> </ul> </li> <li>❑ <b>The child should be able to answer the questions -</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❑ Who is the one who knows us best?</li> <li>❑ How can we develop a relationship with God?</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul>

<p>Week 3</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❑ <b>Parent and Child Activities:</b> Parents should choose one or more activities on the history of Prayer in the Parent's Guide on pages 38-52 to teach their children.</li> <li>❑ <b>Learning Goals for the Week:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❑ <b>The child should understand that -</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❑ When we enter into a relationship with God, we enter into a covenant with Him.</li> <li>❑ Abraham is an example of someone who has great faith in prayer, and Moses is an example of someone who prays for others.</li> <li>❑ The covenantal relationship of prayer reaches its fulfillment through the prayer of Jesus Christ.</li> </ul> </li> <li>❑ <b>The child should be able to answer the question -</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❑ Should we trust God no matter what?</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><b>Your Catholic Home:</b> Have your children learn the Prayer to Your Guardian Angel and say it every morning after waking.</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; margin-top: 20px;"> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>Angel of God, My guardian dear, To whom God's love Commits me here,</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>Ever this day, Be at my side, To light and guard, Rule and guide. Amen</p> </div> </div>
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