

JESUS SENDS US HIS SPIRIT



Scripture: If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate to be with you always, the Spirit of truth, which the world cannot accept, because it neither sees nor knows it. But you know it, because it remains with you, and will be in you. (John 14:15-17)

Pray Together: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen
Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of Your love. Send forth Your Spirit and they shall be created, and You shall renew the face of the earth. O God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit, did instruct the hearts of the faithful, grant that by the same Holy Spirit, we may be truly wise and ever rejoice in His consolations, through Christ our Lord. Amen

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Family Service Project

The season of giving: Help us to shower our Saint Christine's Senior Citizen shut-ins with love during the Christmas Season through Saint Christine's Giving Tree. We will be collecting items from mid-November through Dec. 7th. Please drop off your gifts in the Parish Hall.

Grade One: food cards

Grade Two: games and puzzles for seniors: Sudoku, deck of cards, puzzles, adult coloring books and colored pencils.

Grade Three: gifts for senior women; slippers, socks, lap blankets, lotions, tea, cocoa and hard candy.

Grade Four: books of stamps

Grade Five: gifts for senior men; underwear, slippers, socks, hard candy, lap blankets, coffee and cocoa.

Pray a novena with Blessed Carlo Acutis who was just recently beautified. Carlo died in 2006 of leukemia at the age of 15. He was a gamer and a computer programmer. He had a special devotion to Eucharistic miracles and promoted Eucharistic miracles through a website he developed. He has been appointed the Patron Saint of the Internet. Please read about his story below. Pray one Our Father, three Hail Mary's and One Glory Be for three consecutive days. Simply pray that you too come to know and love Jesus through His gift of Eucharist and that you use the internet only for God's good. Blessed Carlo, pray for us.

Saints We Honor

[Blessed Carlo Acutis](#)

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Did you Know?

To be canonized a Saint, a person needs to have two miracles attributed to their intercession to be beautified (the last step before being canonized a Saint). The person needs a second miracle to be canonized a Saint. Blessed Carlo Acutis' first miracle was attributed to the healing of a Brazilian child of a rare pancreatic disorder.

Balloon Fun Grades Pre-Three

Materials: Balloons (all the same color)

Depending upon your child's age, give them a balloon to blow up or blow up a balloon for them. Invite them to let go of their balloon at the same time. Watch them go!

Ask:

When you let go did your balloon stay in one place?

No, it flew somewhere didn't it? That is like the Holy Spirit.

The Spirit is always active, always on the move.

And when you let go did you know where your balloon was going to end up?

Do you know which one was yours?

That is like the Holy Spirit. The Spirit is unpredictable, that means we don't know what the Spirit is going to do or where the Spirit is going to be. And often the Spirit surprises us in exciting and wonderful ways.

Or.....

Wind Experiment Grades Pre-Five

Materials : Empty bottle, Balloon, and Bowl of hot water

Invite your child to place the balloon on top of the bottle and show them that the only thing inside the bottle is air. Set the bottle in a bowl of hot water and watch the balloon inflate as the water heats the air.

Say:

The warmth of your kindness is the spirit radiating from your heart filling the world with God's love.

SILLY DOUGH TRIO

Kids will make putty dough using three ingredients, which will each become unrecognizable, though still present.

What you will need:

- Bible
- 1 cup of Elmer's white glue per group of 4 kids
- $\frac{3}{4}$ cup of warm water per group
- $\frac{1}{2}$ tsp of Borax
- food coloring (optional)
- bowl
- 1 large spoon

SAY: One of the coolest things about God is that God knew we'd need help but forget to ask sometimes. The Holy Spirit is everywhere, both in us and on earth. But you can't look in the mirror and see the Holy Spirit. It may be easy to forget the Holy Spirit is even there because we don't see him.

Read aloud [Romans 8:11](#) and [John 14:16-17](#).

SAY: These words from the Bible promise that the Holy Spirit will live in us. But how is it possible to have something inside you that you can't see? You can see every other part of your body, right? Let's try an experiment that might help us understand a little better. We're going to make silly dough right now

SAY: Let's start by mixing all our ingredients together. First, pour in the glue. Then add the other ingredients, one at a time.

Invite the kids to mix the ingredients, and then show them how to knead the mixture well. Once the mixture is pliable, let kids each have a piece to play with. Invite them to try to create something that looks like their version of the Holy Spirit.

- **Where is the glue now? the water? the Borax powder?**
- **Why do you think you can't see the individual ingredients?**
- **How are the ingredients in the dough like or unlike how the Holy Spirit lives in each of us?**

SAY: Even though the separate ingredients aren't visible, we know they're still in your silly dough. It's the same for us. Once we get with Jesus, choosing to believe in and follow him, the Holy Spirit is within us. We'll never be the same, just as the individual ingredients won't be the same. But we'll be much, much more.

Impossible Possibility

Help kids remember that God is always with us, even if we can't see him.

Bible Connect: [1 Timothy 1:15-17](#)

Best for: Ages 6 to 12

Stuff Per Group: A balloon, yeast, sugar, water, a glass jar, a funnel, and an empty glass drink bottle.

The Experiment

Say: **Can something invisible have visible results?**

Mix 1 tablespoon of yeast, 1 teaspoon of sugar, and 1 cup warm (not hot) water in the glass jar. Use a funnel to pour the mixture into the bottle. Ask kids to hypothesize about what'll happen to the balloon when you stretch it over the bottleneck. Then watch as the balloon inflates.

Scientific Facts

The yeast converts the solid sugars and liquid water into carbon dioxide gas. Since the gas takes up more space than the solid and the liquid, the pressure in the bottle increases and the balloon expands.

Talk About It

Ask:

- **Was your guess correct?**
- **Is it easy or difficult to understand something you can't see, such as the carbon dioxide? Explain.**
- **How would you explain how carbon dioxide works?**
- **How would you explain our invisible God to someone?**

Read the Scripture. Ask:

- **Is it easy or difficult to have faith in a God you can't see? Why or why not?**
- **How can you explain your faith in God so others understand?**

