

Lesson for Sunday, February 13, 2022 (The 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time)

Dear Grade 4-5 Venture Students and Families,

Blessings to each of you. I am praying that you are well and having a good week. ***It was wonderful to see so many of you last week as we returned to in-person learning.*** For those of you who are continuing with home lessons, I have included the lesson for the week of February 13th below. Do not hesitate to reach out if you are having difficulty with anything or need clarification.

- We are working this week on the February 13th Pflaum Gospel Weekly Lesson.
- The complete lesson can be found by going to the Holy Family website at holyfamilyrockland.org. Hover over the Menu button on the right corner of the main landing page and then Click on Faith Formation. Next, choose your child's grade level, **Grade 4-5 Venture**. Everything you need for the week is found there: (Remember, I will always give you many options – you do what you can get to each week based on your family's schedule and your child's abilities.)
 1. Links to the Parent Teaching Guide pages to help your children each week
 2. A digital copy of their lesson Everyone should have picked up hard copies of the lesson from our office over the past few weeks.
 3. A video clip and activities to support the lesson.
 4. Prayers: Please work with your child to make sure they have mastered the prayers we have been working on (the **Sign of the Cross correctly, the Lord's Prayer (The Our Father), the Hail Mary, the Glory Be and the Act of Contrition**. Our 4th and 5th graders should be saying the Act of Contrition prayer each night before bed as they reflect on their day – thinking of the things they did well and the things they need to ask forgiveness for.
- **This Sunday's Gospel: Luke 6:17, 20-26** In this week's Gospel, Luke gives us the Beatitudes taught by Jesus. The Beatitudes are a roadmap to God's very heart. These eight blessings invite us "to purify our hearts . . . and to seek the love of God above else." Blessed are the poor, the hungry, those who weep, those who are hated and rejected by others because of Jesus. Jesus also cautions those who are rich, well-fed, happy, and liked by others.
- **Venture Grades 4–5:** (The complete lesson can be found on your child's webpage.) This week you and your child will learn about the Beatitudes and how they apply to our lives. Talk with your child about the following question after reading the article in your lesson. Is it fair the way food is distributed in the world? Read about the organization Kindness to Action. Discuss with your child what coins symbolize in that organization? Talk about how the Beatitudes teach us to see through God's eyes, and how we can hear the cries of the poor. Make time this week to play "The Promised Land" game as a family.
- **Pray Together:** Jesus challenged the conventional ideas about how to be happy and successful when He taught the Beatitudes. With your child pray each day for your family to be more like those who Jesus says are blessed in the eyes of God.

Lastly, and most important: If you are unable to attend Mass in person due to illness make sure that you watch Mass together as a family on Sunday. The easiest way to access the Mass recording is on our website. It is also showing on local cable WRPS. And as always, I will email the link to you on Saturday evening/early Sunday morning.

We continue to pray for the health and safety of all our families and offer prayers of gratitude for all those that are working here in our area and around the world to aid those affected by this latest surge of the virus.

Yours in Christ,
Mrs. Liz Davis

LINK TO VENTURE LESSON WEBPAGE: