

Lesson for Sunday, February 20, 2022 (The 7th 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. **Please remember that we do not have class this week as it is Winter Break (2/20, 2/21, 2/22).** For those of you who are continuing with home lessons, I have included the lesson for the week of February 20th 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 20th 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 6:27-38** This week Jesus continues his teaching following the Beatitudes. He tells us to love our enemies, pray for those who hurt us, and give of ourselves to anyone who asks. We learn the great Golden Rule: Do to others as you would have them do to you. Offer a prayer of praise as we cannot hear these words often enough.
- **Venture Grades 4–5:** (The complete lesson can be found on your child's webpage.) This week you and your child will learn about where he or she sees injustice in the world. Read with your child the story of Fannie Lou Hamer. Discuss with them why this is a good story for this week's lesson on justice. Have a family discussion on why it is so contrary to society to love our enemies as Jesus taught. Pray for people who have hurt you or who oppress others in the world. Pray, too, that your family remains loving to everyone.
- **Pray Together:** Pray that you and your family can be instruments of peace in the world. Be sure to mention this idea during mealtime or other daily prayers. Pray for the Holy Spirit to give us the strength to be kind when others are not, and to seek forgiveness when we fail to do so.

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 the coronavirus and other illness.

Yours in Christ,
Mrs. Liz Davis

LINK TO VENTURE LESSON WEBPAGE: