

RAISING FAITH-FILLED KIDS

a parent page



Moses and the Ten Commandments, James Jacques Joseph Tissot

Focus on Faith

God's Commitment and Ours

Your child heard the dramatic story of the Israelites' escape from Egypt and the giving of the Ten Commandments. The Ten Commandments are a covenant God made with his people. The commandments show us how to live in relationship with him and with one another. This is the foundation of the biblical teaching on justice. God made a commitment and will keep it. When we make commitments to our children, we can remember to model those commitments on God's commitment to us. We recognize that we are called to keep faith with our children, as God keeps faith with us.

Dinnertime Conversation Starter

What commitment to God would you and your family like to make? Will you promise to attend Mass every Sunday, to give a portion of your income to poor people, to provide for daily family prayer time, or to make some other family commitment to growing closer to God?



Spirituality in Action

Ask members of your family to give up eating candy or junk food for a week. Collect the money you save and donate it to a favorite cause or charity. Discuss with your child the importance of sharing in relation to Jesus' command to love your neighbor.

In Our Parish

Seder is the traditional Jewish ceremony observed at Passover, the Feast of Freedom. During this meal Jews recount the first Passover meal and the story of the miraculous passage through the Red Sea. We remember the first Passover meal at Holy Thursday celebrations. On Holy Saturday night we remember the passage through the Red Sea. When you celebrate Holy Thursday and Holy Saturday in your parish, remember your Jewish brothers and sisters who are celebrating the wonders that God has done for them.



Focus on Prayer

Your child prayed the Prayer to the Holy Spirit. Say this prayer with your child each day. You can find the words for this prayer at www.FindingGod.org.



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