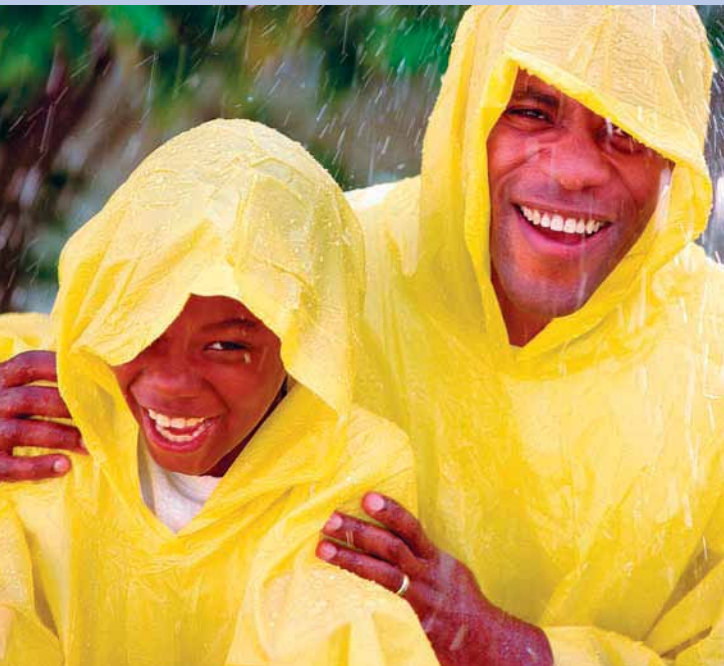


RAISING FAITH-FILLED KIDS

a parent page



Focus on Faith

A Loving God

While the children were playing a soccer game on a summer evening, the weather unexpectedly changed. A thunderstorm developed. Lightning streaked the sky. A passionately concerned father rushed his child off the field and brought him home safely. In Exodus 19–20 we see that God is passionate about his relationship with the Hebrew people; he has just brought them from slavery to freedom. In his concern for their welfare, God insists that they trust in him and remain faithful to him alone. As parents, we can identify with such passionate concern because we have the same concern for our own children.

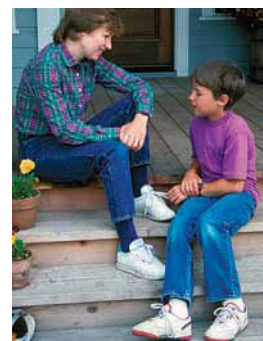
Spirituality in Action

As a way to encourage your family to take a critical look at the way media influence your lives, try composing your own Ten Commandments according to a favorite television show or movie. Select a program you all agree exercises a positive influence over the attitudes and behaviors of your child or the entire family. This activity should be fun and may be amusing, since it is meant to alleviate the pressure young people feel from popular culture. Write your final version on heavy paper or poster board and put it up where everyone will see it.



Dinnertime Conversation Starter

Share with your child your concerns about his or her physical and spiritual welfare. Discuss how family rules address these concerns.



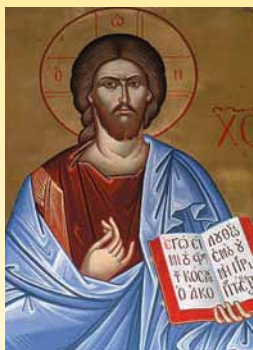
Our Catholic Heritage

The Holy Name Society was founded in 1274 for the purpose of honoring the name of God and of Jesus. In the United States the National Association of the Holy Name Society continues this tradition of reverence. In addition, its members perform the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy.



Focus on Prayer

Your child was introduced to the Divine Praises, which honor the names of God and the Holy Family. Talk to your child about always treating these names with reverence.



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