

Confirmed in Love





Prayer to the Holy Spirit

Breathe in me, O Holy Spirit,
That my thoughts may all be holy.
Act in me, O Holy Spirit,
That my work, too, may be holy.
Draw my heart, O Holy Spirit,
That I love but what is holy.
Strengthen me, O Holy Spirit,
To defend all that is holy.
Guard me, then, O Holy Spirit,
That I always may be holy.



St Augustine



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*Blessed are the poor in
spirit, for theirs is the
kingdom of heaven.*

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Christians, called to love as
Jesus loved, have the Beatitudes
and Works of Mercy as
guidelines



Making Moral Decisions

Beatitudes

Examples of whom we should be, as members of a community.

Ten Commandments

Give us directions, descriptions of what we should do.

The Beatitudes

Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are they who mourn, for they will be comforted.

Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the land.

Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be satisfied.

Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy.

Blessed are the clean of heart, for they will see God.

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=O2hblq7rFDs>

Called to be Free

- God created us to be free, and we can only be truly happy if we are free.
- Action must be good
- Intention must be good
- Circumstance must be considered

Conscience - Where we hear God speak

- What is a conscience?
- Who helps form our conscience?





Actions Speak Louder Than Words

- Behave in ways that let people know you are a Catholic



Christian Love

- Loving like Jesus means making room in our hearts for all people.
- Show the warmth, love and acceptance of Jesus Christ to the poor, sick, and strangers.

<https://youtu.be/gykmvCAh24g>

Christian Service

Corporal Works of Mercy

Kind acts by which we help our neighbours with their everyday, material needs.

Spiritual Works of Mercy

Kind acts through which we help our neighbours meet their spiritual needs.

Confirmation Word Bank

Beatitudes - the teachings of Jesus in the Sermon on the Mount in Matthew's Gospel, eight ways of living the Christian life.

Conscience - the inner voice that helps each of us judge the morality of our own actions.

Corporal works of mercy - kind acts by which we help our neighbors with their everyday, material needs.

Spiritual works of mercy - the kind acts through which we help our neighbors meet their needs that are more than material.

Ten Commandments - the 10 rules given by God to Moses on Mount Sinai that sum up God's love and show us what is required to love God and our neighbour.

Virtue - a firm attitude or way of acting that enables us to do good.

Reflection Questions

Children:

1 - Has there been an instance where you felt you had wronged someone and didn't apologize for it? If so, how did that make you feel? If it were to happen again, would you choose to take the opportunity to apologize?

2 - Has a friend or sibling ever hurt you, didn't apologize, but you chose to forgive them anyways? Was it difficult? What do you think helped you to forgive them?

3 - Is there an organization or cause that is special to you, that you would like to support by volunteering your time and talents?

Parents:

Can you recall a time when you chose to stand alone, and not take part in actions/words that would hurt another? How can we use these times to teach our children to pray for the courage to make these moral decisions?

Activities

Workbook review word search and crossword puzzle

