



Faith in Five- Children
Ordinary Time Week 9

1. **What does the Catholic Church celebrate during the month of June?** The month of June is dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. **How do we honor Jesus' Sacred Heart?** The First Friday devotion, spread by St. Margaret Mary Aloccoque is a beautiful way to honor Jesus' Sacred Heart. To do so, attend mass and receive Holy Communion on the first Friday of the month (for 9 consecutive months!) and participate in the devotional prayers done during Adoration directly after mass. During these devotions we make reparations, or amends, for our sins and the sins of others that wound His Heart.

[This video explains the amazing promises of First Friday devotees!](#)

Act of Consecration to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

Most sweet Jesus, humbly kneeling at Thy feet, we renew the consecration of our family to thy Divine Heart! Be Thou our King forever! In Thee we have full and entire confidence. May Thy spirit penetrate our thoughts, our desires, our words and our deeds. Bless our undertakings, share in our joys, in our trials, and in our labors. Grant us to know Thee better, to love Thee more, to serve Thee without faltering.

2. **What is the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity?** This is an important feast day when we celebrate the Blessed Trinity- Father, Son and Holy Spirit. At mass we read from John 3:16-18. **Why did God send us His Son?** It was out of God's immense love that He sent His Son. **What happens for those who believe in Jesus?** Those who believe in Jesus can have eternal life! From the Catechism- "by sending his only Son and the Spirit of Love in the fullness of time, God has revealed his innermost secret: God himself is an eternal exchange of love, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, and he has destined us to share in that exchange." (CCC 221) **How can we celebrate the Blessed Trinity at home after mass?** Eating neapolitan ice cream, because it has 3 flavors in one package, is a fun and meaningful way to enjoy Trinity Sunday!
3. **Catechism- What is meant by the mystery of the Trinity?** "A mystery means it is something we cannot understand, but we believe it because Jesus told us. We will not understand it until Heaven. We call the mystery of three Persons in ONE God the Blessed Trinity." (Baltimore Catechism, Lesson 3) A nature is WHAT somebody is and a person is WHO somebody is. God is 1 WHAT (his nature of God), but 3 WHOS (the Persons of God)! The whos are The Father, The Son and The Holy Spirit. The rest of us have only one nature (what we are!) and one person (who we are). Our nature is what we are (a human!) and our person (the boy or girl reading this text!) is who we are. *This lesson is inspired by a beautiful storybook called [St. Patrick's Summer](#) by Marigold*

Hunter, chapter 1! This is an excellent resource for Catechesis and is an enjoyable family read aloud.

4. **Who is St. Boniface?** St. Boniface, born by the name of Wynfrid, was born in Wessex, England around the year 675. He was ordained a Priest of the Benedictine order. What did St. Boniface do? He was a missionary. He went to the area of Netherlands but did not have much success in converting the pagans there at first. He was then sent to Germany by Pope Gregory II. There, he famously destroyed the sacred oak of Thor, the most important Germanic pagan god. This act resulted in many, many converts. He also built churches. **What happened to St. Boniface?** Though he became archbishop of Mainz, he resigned because he wanted to continue to work as a missionary. He wanted to go back to Frisia, the area he did not have much success in conversion at the start of his vocation. Sadly, he was murdered by pagans in 754. **What is St. Boniface the patron saint of?** As the “apostle to the Germans” he is the patron saint of Germany, as well as brewers and tailors. His feast day is June 5th.

5. **Apologetics- Why do Catholics have statues when the Bible forbids “graven images”?** God forbids the worship of images, not the use of them as aids to prayer! In fact, God himself instructed Moses to make statues for the Ark of the Covenant- “Make two cherubim of beaten gold.” (Exodus 25:18) Just like we have images or pictures of our beloved family members in our home, images or statues of our faith family comfort us and encourage us. So put out an image of the Sacred Heart for the month of June!!

REVIEW QUESTION: What are the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit? The seven gifts of the Holy Spirit are Wisdom, Understanding, Counsel, Fortitude, Knowledge, Piety and Fear of God. **What are the fruits of the Holy Spirit?** The fruits of the Holy Spirit are joy, love, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness and self control.

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