

THE CHURCH OF ST. CATHARINE
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM
2017-2018

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION
SCRAP BOOK





Dear Parents/Guardians,

This year, we are asking the first communicants to do a project in conjunction with their First Holy Communion. This is a project where the entire family can become involved. We would like for each child to complete, with the family, a religious history of the child from their Baptism to First Communion preparation. The child should reflect upon their involvement within parish community, school, home, etc. It connects them to members of their family that may be involved in some aspect of religious life, for example the priesthood. It will help them to know who their Bishop and Pope are. They will also be reminded of the important part Godparents play in their lives. It could become a wonderful keepsake that they will cherish their whole life.

To make it easier, I would recommend a 3-ring binder or photo album.

On the next page there will be a list of items that each page is to contain. Be creative. The children can decorate the pages with markers, crayons, stickers, etc., but please do not use any type of dry foods. Magazines, newspapers (The Monitor), even the internet are great ways to become motivated and inspired. The book may be as simple or as fancy as you wish (as long as it is made by your child and family together).

We intend to display your child's scrapbook in the Fr. Scheg Center. It must be brought in with you and your child on the day of the Communion Retreat. Enjoy spending quality time with your child as they prepare for this momentous occasion in their lives.

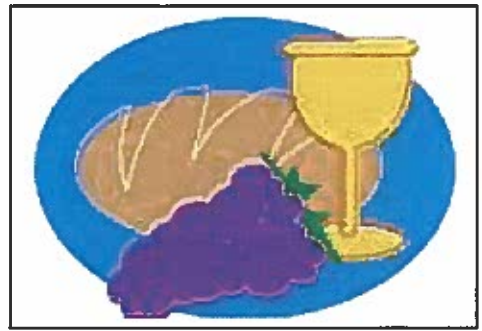
If there are any questions, please feel free to ask.

Blessings and Peace,

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First Communion Book Outline



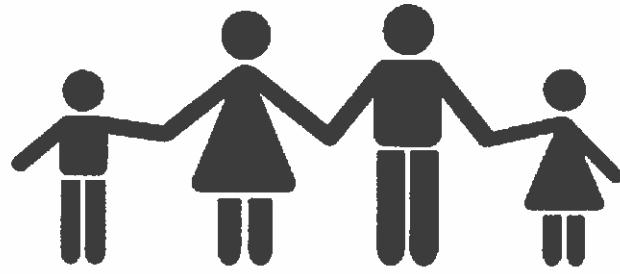
1. Title page (create your own. Include child's name and year).
2. Picture of child's Baptism.
3. Picture of child's Godparents.
4. Picture of child's entire family.
5. "I have called you by name and you are mine" page.
6. Jesus gives and calls page (cut out each, color, and display in book).
7. Jesus is the bread of life page (color and decorate).
8. "Praise God for..." page (write, draw, cut out pictures or add "things" Praising God - A collage of items).
9. Picture of your parish church (write name of church on page).
10. Saint page (use your namesake Saint, or choose a favorite Saint). Include a picture of the Saint. Add a few facts about the Saint and why you chose him/her).
11. Family prayer page (write out one of the prayers you say together as a family, i.e. Our Father, Hail Mary, etc.).
12. Picture of your child with Msgr. Vaughan or Mrs. Vullo.
13. Tradition or custom of your family (i.e. going to grandparent's house on Thanksgiving).
14. Peace collage (write, draw, cut out pictures, etc.).
15. "Love God with whole heart, mind, soul" page (color and decorate).
16. Holy Spirit prayer page (color and display).
17. Picture with my First Communion teacher.
18. Keys page (cut out, color, and display in scrapbook).
19. Think, Do, Say page (cut out, color, and display in scrapbook).
20. 10 Commandment page (write the Ten Commandments).
21. Love your neighbor as yourself page (color and decorate).
22. Picture of a parish function (picnic, advent wreath making, doughnut Sunday, etc.)
23. Act of Contrition page (color and decorate).
24. "Lord I am not worthy to receive "You" page (color and display).
25. Mary, Mother of the Church, Cares for us page (color and decorate).
26. Page dedicated to Mary (write, draw, cut out things, collage about Mary).
27. Thank you prayer to God page (color and display in scrapbook).
28. Picture of our bishop, Bishop David O'Connell (can be found in the monitor or internet).
29. Picture of Pope Francis (can be found on the internet).
30. Prayers that I have learned page (write the names of all the prayers you have memorized).
31. Parent's letter to child.
32. Picture of child on First Communion day (put in after First Communion day).
33. Picture of child's Second Communion day (put in after the First Sunday Mass together).

MY BAPTISM DAY



MY GODPARENTS





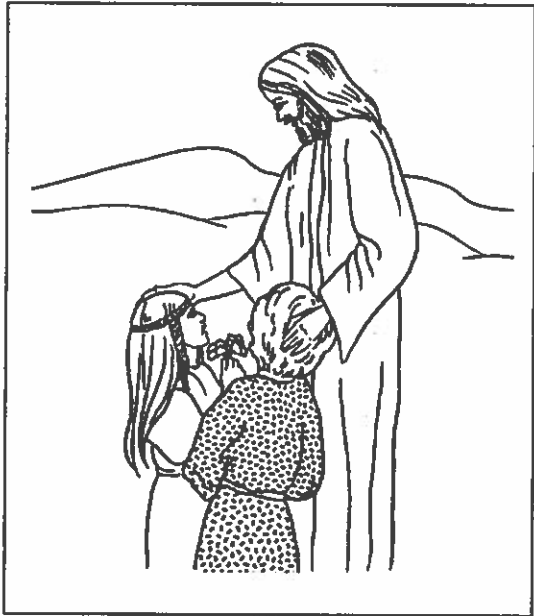
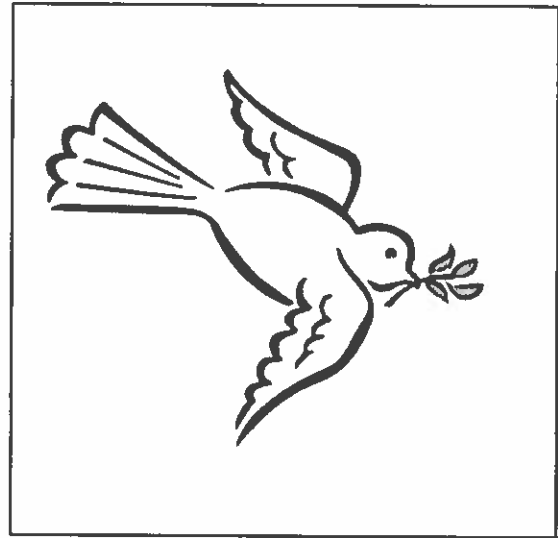
MY ENTIRE FAMILY

"I HAVE CALLED YOU BY NAME
AND YOU ARE MINE"



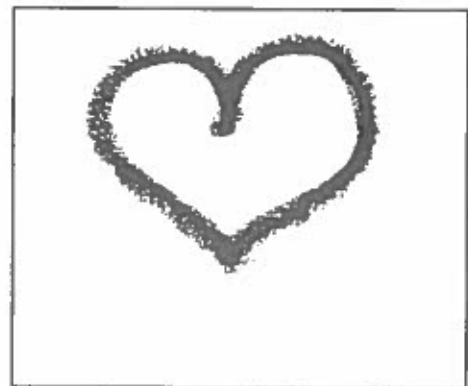
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JESUS GIVES US
THE GIFT OF
"PEACE"

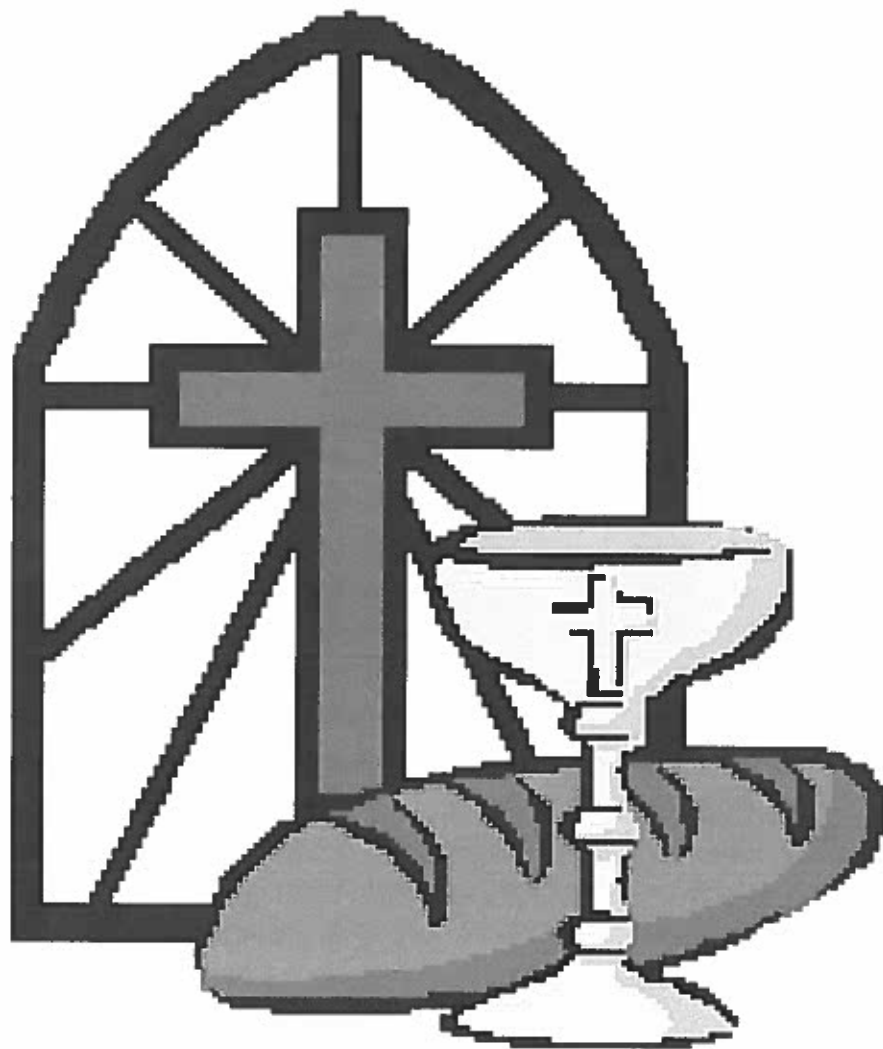


JESUS GIVE US
THE GIFT OF
"HIMSELF"

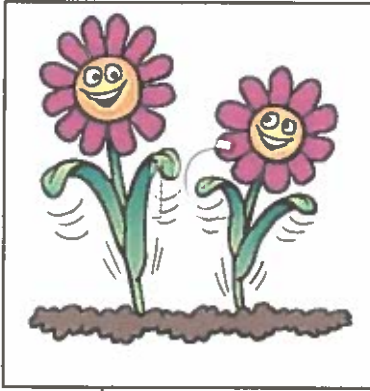
JESUS CALLS US
TO LOVE OURSELVES
AND OTHERS



JESUS IS THE BREAD OF LIFE



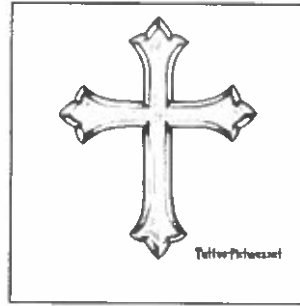
PRAISE GOD FOR...



MY CHURCH IS...



MY FAVORITE SAINT



MY FAMILY PRAYER PAGE



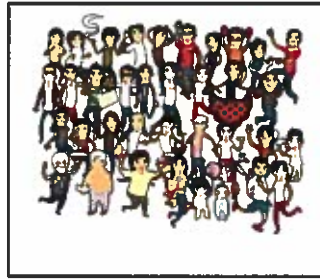
MY PASTOR
MONSIGNOR GREGORY D. VAUGHAN
OR



MRS. VULLO AND ME!!



A FAMILY TRADITION



MY PEACE COLLAGE

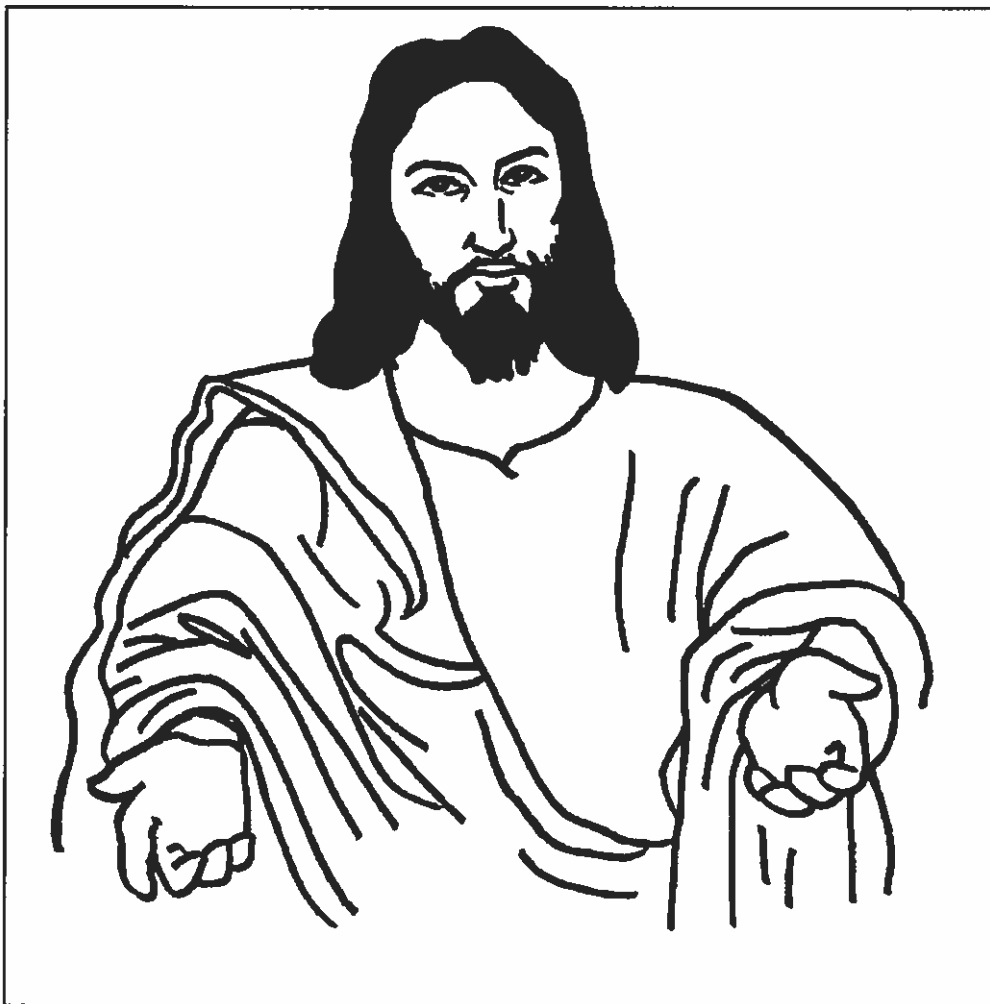


LOVE GOD

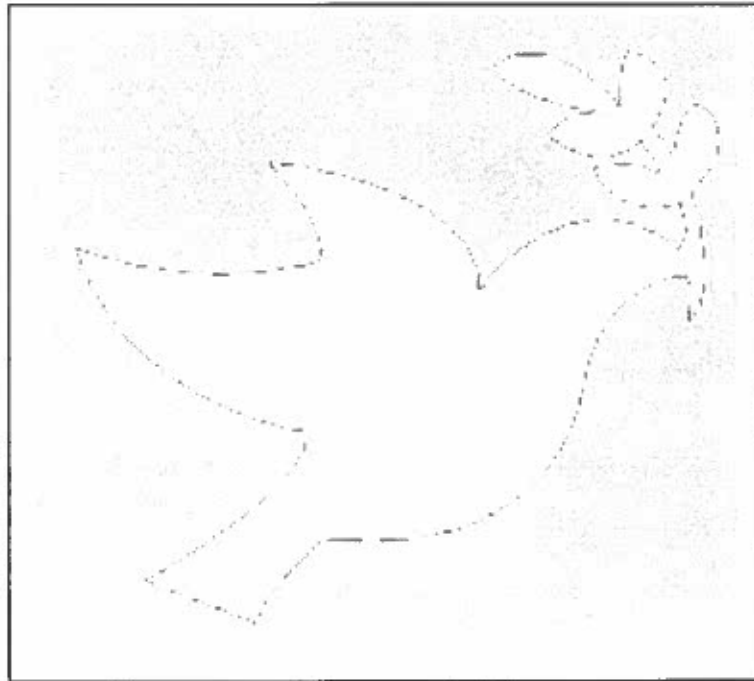
With your whole heart,

With your whole soul,

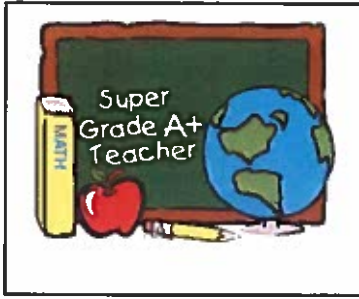
With your whole mind.



Holy Spirit,
Show me how good Jesus is!
Remind me how to love God and others.
Show me when I have failed.
Help me to be sorry.
Make God's life grow in me.
Amen.
Come Holy Spirit!



MY FIRST HOLY COMMUNION TEACHER





OBEY



HONEST



KIND



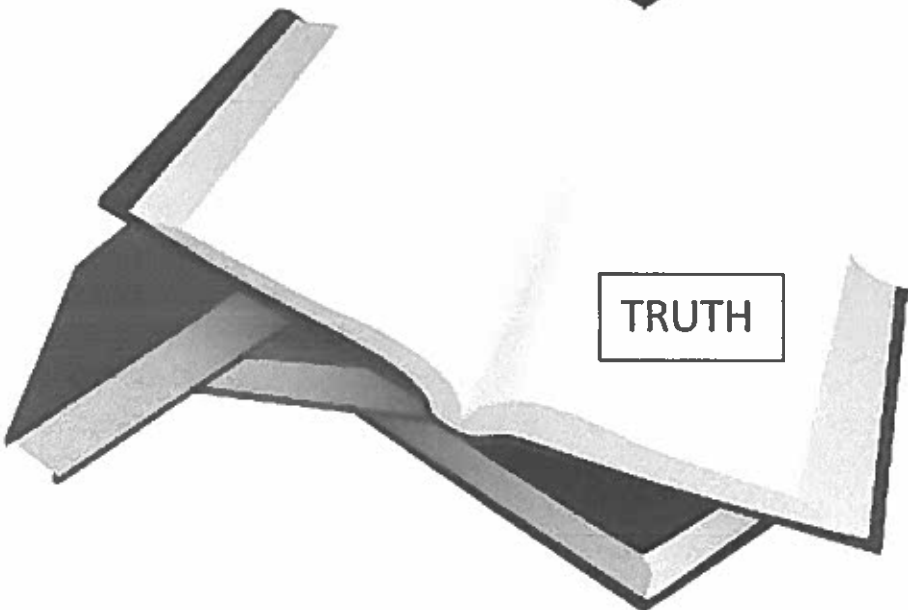
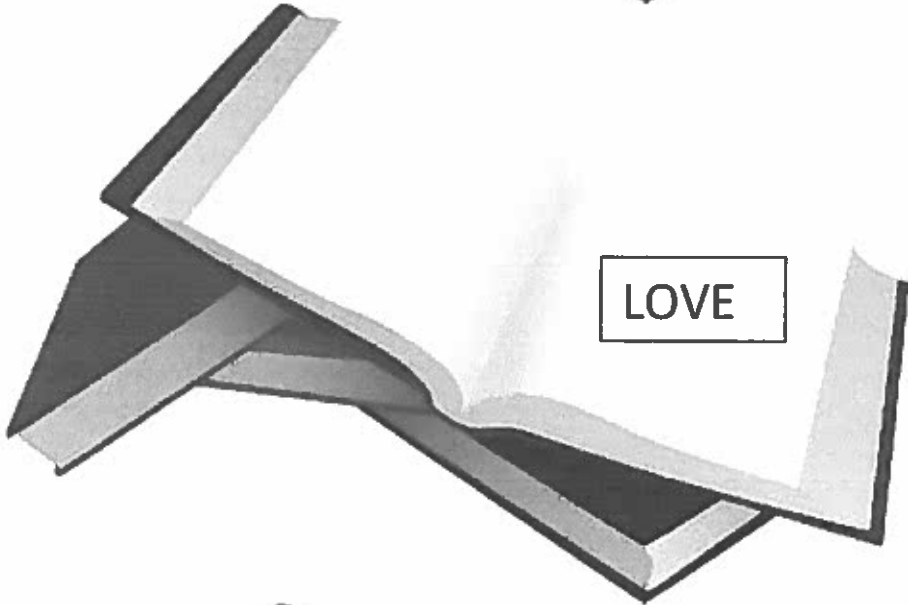
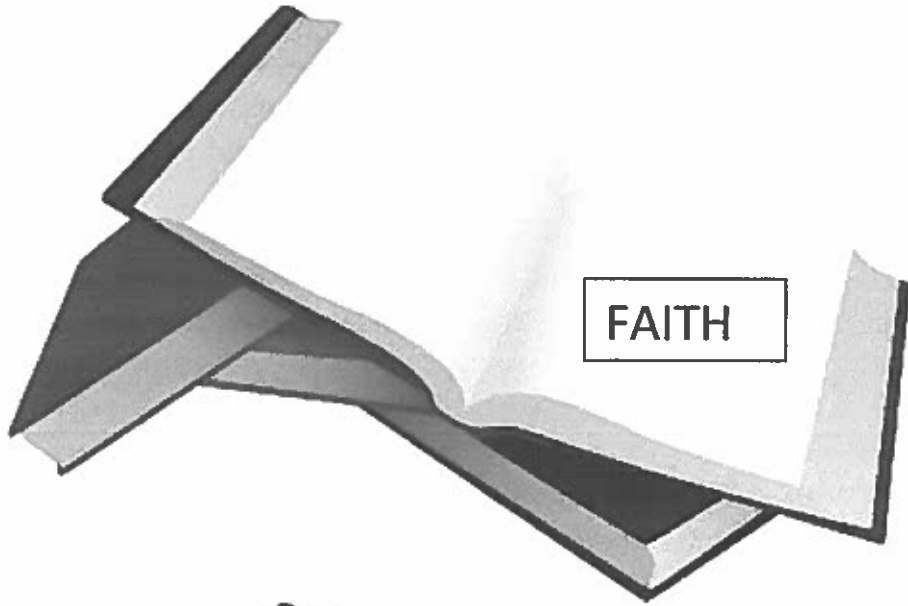
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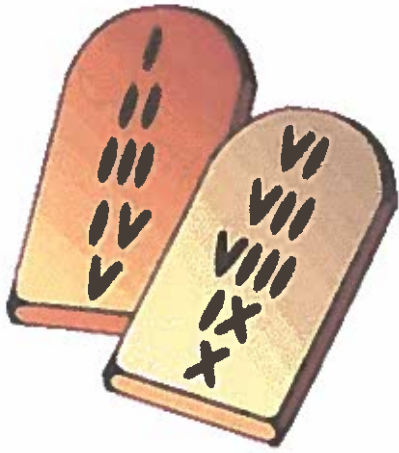
RESPECT



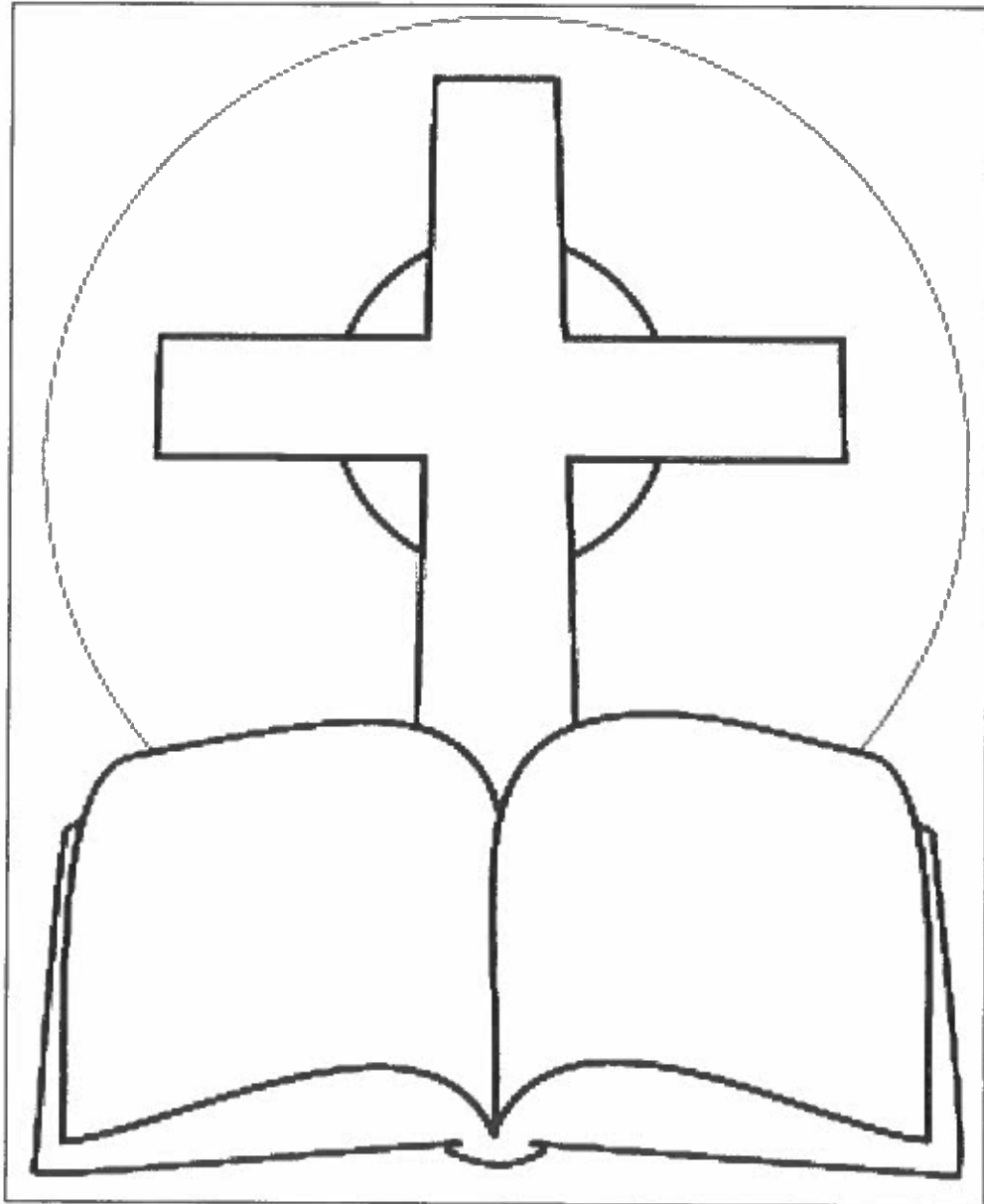
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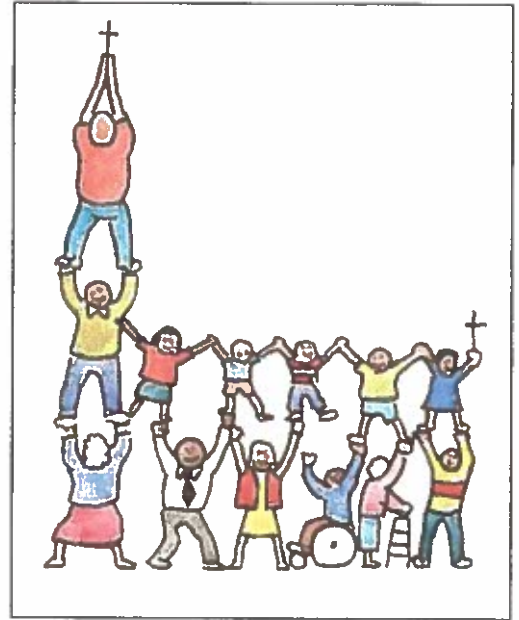
THE TEN COMMANDMENTS



LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR
AS YOURSELF



A PARISH FUNCTION

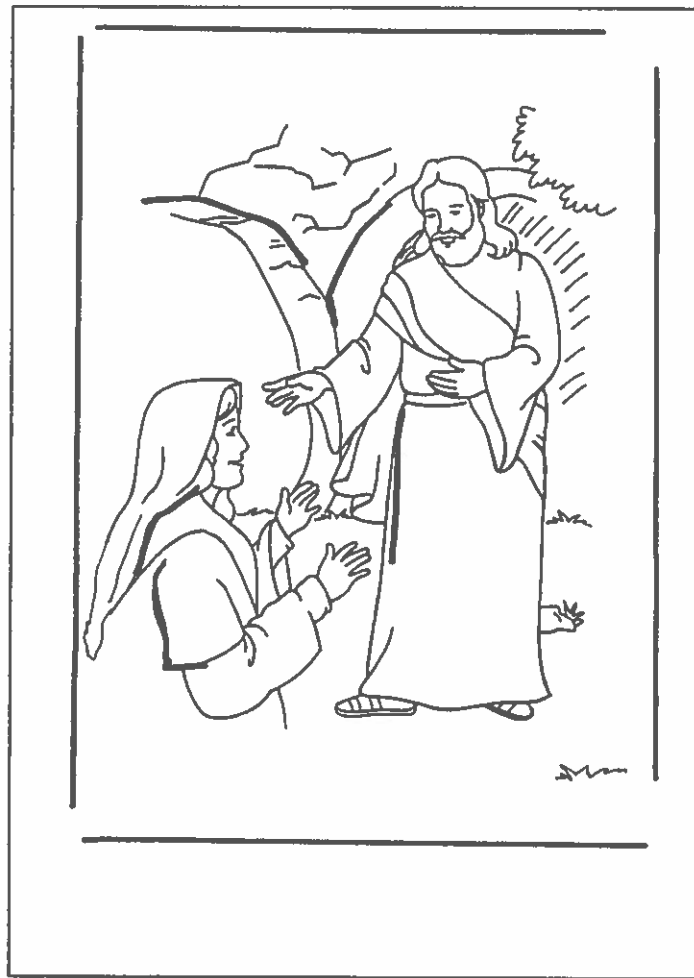


ACT OF CONTRITION

My God,
I am sorry for my sins with all my heart.
In choosing to do wrong
and failing to do good,
I have sinned against You
whom I should love above all things.
I firmly intend, with Your help,
to do penance, to sin no more,
and to avoid whatever leads me to sin.
Our Savior Jesus Christ
suffered and died for us.
In His name, my God, have mercy.
Amen.



"Lord, I am not worthy
That you should enter under my roof,
But only say the word
And my soul shall be healed."



MARY, MOTHER OF THE CHURCH,
CARES FOR US



MY PAGE DEDICATED TO
MOTHER MARY

PRAYER OF THANKS

TO GOD

Thank you, dear God
for your goodness and love.

You are so close to me.

Thank you for your peace and fatherly forgiveness.

I will bring peace to others and love them more.

I will try to be more
like Jesus each day.

Mary, my mother, pray for me.

Help me to stay close to you.

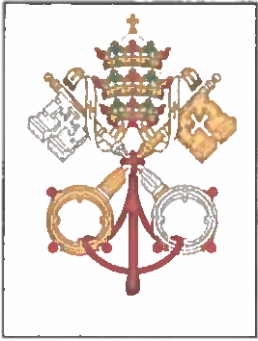
Holy Spirit, help me and be my guide through life.

Amen.



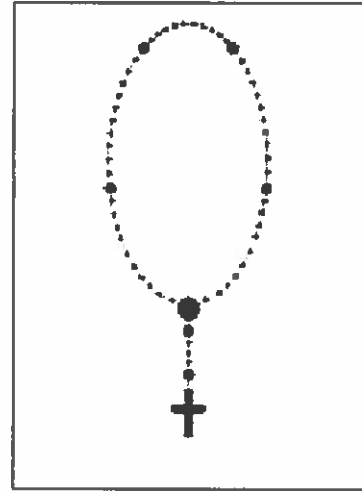
THE BISHOP OF TRENTON

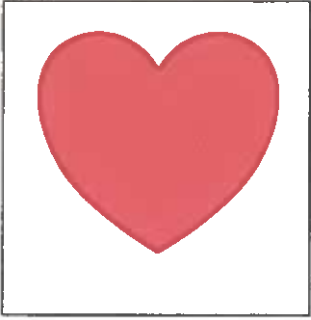




THE POPE

PRAYERS THAT I HAVE LEARNED THIS
YEAR!





PARENT LETTER

(Write from the heart)

MY FIRST HOLY COMMUNION DAY

PICTURE!!



MY SECOND HOLY COMMUNION DAY!!

