

THE TABLET *jr.*

Leading in Faith

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Each month has a specific theme tied to Catholic Social Teaching. The themes of Catholic Social Teaching can be integrated into many subjects. This Instructional Guide is full of resources to help you connect the stories and features to your lesson plans.

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From Rockstar to Religious Musician



Read the Tablet Jr. article as a class.

Essential Question: What are action steps for being a school, parish, or community leader?

YouTube Video: [DE: Tech Baton Creates Opportunity for Blind Musicians](#)

Video Description: A conductor's baton has been created which allows the visually-impaired to follow its movements, opening up the potential for blind people to join more orchestras.

Activities

- [YouTube: Music is for Everyone](#)
 - ◆ [Carnegie Hall Game: Young Person's Guide to Orchestra 1-5](#)
- [Gospel Music Around the World Presentation](#)
 - ◆ [Gospel Music Word Search 6-8](#)
- [YouTube: Turkey Girl](#)
 - ◆ [What Made Jesus a Good Leader? Activity](#)
- [Saint John Paul II, the Life of a Holy Pope](#)
 - ◆ Pope John Paul II, [Youth Day](#)
 - ◆ Using the information above create your own Youth Day Festival

Additional Resources Continued

Reflection Questions can be presented in different ways depending on grade level and ability. Platforms that can be used are Padlet and Jamboard.

Reflection Questions:

- 1) What are the characteristics of a leader?
- 2) How can children be leaders in our faith?
- 3) Why do our actions determine if we can be leaders?

Additional Resources

→ Kids Explain: Leadership

→ A Strong Leader is Activity

Pray, Hope, and Don't Worry



Read the Tablet Jr. article as a class.

Essential Question: Does the way I spend my time reflect a genuine concern for others?

DE: Remembering the Leaders

Video Description: Celebrates the completion of the civil rights walk from Selma to Montgomery, Alabama, a fifty-four mile journey. On August 6, 1965, President Johnson signed the historic Voting Rights Act, allowing African Americans the right to vote.

Activities

- YouTube: I am a Saint in the Making
 - ◆ Loyola Press: Which Saint are you? Game
 - ◆ I am a Saint in the Making Worksheet
- iCivics: Win the White House Game
 - ◆ Leaders & Event Interactive Game
 - ◆ DE: Choosing Leaders Studio Board
- YouTube: St. Teresa of Avila
 - ◆ St. Teresa of Avila Biography
 - ◆ Sadlier: St. Teresa of Avila Worksheet
 - ◆ How to draw St. Teresa of Avila

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Reflection Questions:

- 1) How do our actions affect our relationship with God?
- 2) Why is it important for leaders to speak out?
- 3) What examples of “choosing to do wrong” are seen in your day to day life?

Additional Resources

→ DE: Dorothy Day

◆ Dorothy Day Peace Lessons

Open Your Hearts and Listen to God



Read the Tablet Jr. article as a class.

Essential Question: Do all religions lead to the same destination?

DE: Beginning of Holiness

Video Description: Saint Mother Teresa's insights on prayer and how it connects us with God are put to simple but beautiful graphics that will inspire.

Activities

- YouTube: One Hen
 - ◆ PBL Lesson (3-5)
 - ◆ Kojo's Hen Activity
 - ◆ One Hen Lesson (K-2)
- St. Thérèse of Lisieux: Lessons for Daily Life
 - ◆ Article of St. Therese of Lisieux
 - ◆ Saint Fact Sheet

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Reflection Questions:

- 1) Why does leadership requires more than serving - it also requires a right heart?
- 2) What are some characteristics that a good leader should have?
- 3) How can leaders use their faith to always make the right decisions?

Additional Resources

- YouTube: What is Given From the Heart
- ◆ Who is your favorite Community Leader? activity

Sister Elizabeth

Together as a class, read the questions and answers from Sr. Elizabeth.



Questions from kids like you!

Being Leaders in Faith calls students to participate in their faith through their words and actions. It is important for students to understand that their actions are impactful to their school, parish, and community.

- [Sisters of Charity of New York Will no Longer Accept New Members](#)
- [Kid Corner: Never Alone God's Promise to Us](#)
 - ◆ Connect to how our faith gives up strength; we can show that to others and be there for them.
- [Kid Corners: Lost & Alone Final Part 2](#)
 - ◆ Leading in faith can be shown in many different ways. How can we work to show our friends and maybe even family that they are not alone? That they have you and God on their side.

Diocesan History Corner



Our Lady of Consolation, Home for the Aged,
1944

Activities

When your time comes, lead. "Be leaders wherever it behooves you to be. Leaders of thought, leaders of action, leaders of joy, leaders of hope, leaders of the construction of a better world."- Pope Francis, 2019

Class activity:

Read the Tablet Jr. Diocesan History Corner Article

Read the quote above with your class.

- In small groups, ask students to brainstorm qualities of a good leader.
- *challenge: at least one for each letter of the alphabet. (can use thesaurus) Create a class list to keep displayed.

Independently, have students use the class list to identify their leadership qualities. Ask the students how they can implement their leadership qualities to be leaders in faith.

Ex: youth leaders, coaches, etc.

Sadlier



Blessed Carlo Acutis

Activities

Part of our Catholic faith is learning to live out our faith to the world. Our guidelines are called Catholic Social Teachings, a foundation for life that is rooted in Scripture.

Following in the footsteps of Jesus and living your life with love, peace, and justice can seem overwhelming. By focusing on one of the Catholic Social Teachings at a time, you will live more like Jesus each day. Be the Great Person that God created you to be.

- St. Theresa of Calcutta said “If we pray, we will believe; If we believe, we will love; If we love, we will serve.”
 - ◆ The Works of Mercy game
- EWTN: Blessed Carlo Acutis
 - ◆ Who is Carlo Acutis? Article
 - ◆ Blessed Carlo Acutis Activity
 - ◆ Blessed Carlo Acutis Coloring Pages