

HOW TO MAKE A SAINT PRESENTATION

A Parent & Kid Guide for the All Saints Museum

CHOOSE A SAINT • LEARN THEIR STORY • SHARE WHAT YOU DISCOVER

This is not an art competition or a school research project. Our museum is being created by the kids, and the homemade quality is part of the charm. Children who are reading/writing age through high school are invited to choose a Catholic saint and create a simple display that helps our parish get to know that saint.

1. CHOOSE A SAINT

Choose someone your child finds interesting: a patron saint, Confirmation saint, namesake, a saint whose story they love, or someone completely new.

Ideas: St. Francis of Assisi, St. Therese of Lisieux, St. Joan of Arc, St. Carlo Acutis, St. Padre Pio, St. Joseph, St. Kateri Tekakwitha, St. Maximilian Kolbe, St. Teresa of Calcutta, St. John Paul II, St. Gianna Molla, St. Dominic Savio, St. Jose Sanchez del Rio, or St. James the Apostle.

2. DISCOVER THEIR STORY

- Who were they and when/where did they live?
- What did they love about Jesus?
- What did they do that was courageous, holy, or unusual?
- What symbol or object is associated with them?
- What is one memorable story from their life?
- What can I learn from this saint?

For younger children, 3-5 interesting facts is plenty.

3. MAKE YOUR DISPLAY

A tri-fold board, poster board, cardboard box, tabletop display, or foam board all work. Use what you already have!

- Written or typed facts
- Your child's own drawing
- Printed photos or paintings
- A map showing where the saint lived
- A favorite quote, prayer, or Bible verse
- A homemade symbol connected with the saint
- A book, small statue, rosary, flower, fabric, or other meaningful object
- Something interactive: a flap, mini-book, or trivia question

Easy & inexpensive: Dollar-store poster board + markers + a few printed pictures can make a wonderful exhibit. Cardboard, construction paper, yarn, fabric scraps, leaves, rocks, and household items are all fair game.

Make it personal!

Add a sentence answering: *"Why did I choose this saint?"* or *"What do I want to imitate about this saint?"*

KEEP IT SIMPLE! Crooked letters, imperfect drawings, handwriting and kid-sized creativity are welcome. Parents can help find good information, but please let the display remain your child's creation.

GOOD CATHOLIC RESOURCES

Reliable places to help your child learn about the saints

ONLINE	WHAT YOU'LL FIND
Vatican vatican.va	Biographies, papal writings, canonization information, and Church documents.
USCCB usccb.org	Scripture, liturgical information, prayers, and reliable Catholic background.
Franciscan Media - Saint of the Day franciscanmedia.org/saint-of-the-day	Short, approachable saint biographies - especially useful for families.
Catholic Culture catholicculture.org	Saint biographies, feast days, prayers, traditions, and historical background.

OFFLINE IDEAS

- **Your parish or public library:** look for children's saint biographies or collections of lives of the saints.
- **Butler's Lives of the Saints:** a classic reference for older students and parents.
- **Pauline Books & Media, Ignatius Press, and OSV:** all publish reliable Catholic books for children, teens, and adults.
- **Your own home:** a saint medal, holy card, statue, rosary, family prayer book, or meaningful object can become part of the exhibit.

WHAT ARE WE REALLY HOPING THE KIDS DISCOVER?

The saints were real people.

They loved Jesus.

They struggled.

They persevered.

They became holy.

And we can become saints too.

DISPLAY DROP-OFF
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 28th
Parish office or designated area

ALL SAINTS MUSEUM
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1st
Following the 11:30 AM Mass

* Personal items/Museum displays can be taken home when you leave the All Saints Celebration.

QUESTIONS?

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SAINTS LEAD US TO JESUS