

# A FAMILY OF Faith



## February English Guide Year 3

- ❑ **VERSE OF THE MONTH:** Commandments 5-10
  - ❑ Parent's Guide: Pages 144
  - ❑ Activity Book: Pages 112-117

- ❑ **SAINT OF THE MONTH: SAINT Paul Miki and Companions**
  - ❑ Parent's Guide: Pages 182-183
  - ❑ Activity Book: Pages 131-133

### Overview Lesson 8 The Fifth and Sixth Commandments

The aim of this lesson is for your children to learn that the Fifth Commandment tells us to acknowledge all life as a God-given gift.

- ❑ **WORDS TO KNOW:**
  - ❑ Parent's Guide: Page 152
  - ❑ Activity Book: Page 134.
- ❑ **Activities and Key Concepts Lesson 8: Parent's Guide: Page 151.**

### Overview Lesson 9 The Seventh through Tenth Commandments

Your children will learn that the Seventh Commandment tells us we are not to take what is due to others. The Eighth Commandment speaks to us of living a life faithful to the truth. In the Ninth and Tenth Commandments, we are forbidden from desiring someone impurely and desiring what belongs to another.

- ❑ **WORDS TO KNOW:**
  - ❑ Parent's Guide: Page 167
  - ❑ Activity Book: Page 134 .
- ❑ **Activities and Key Concepts Lesson 9: Parent's Guide: Page 166.**
- ❑ **Your Catholic Home: Lent:** Parent's Guide: Page 146 Activity Book: Pages 109-110. The season of Lent is a time of prayer and sacrifice. Stretching from Ash Wednesday to Holy Saturday and signified by the liturgical color of violet, Lent last 40 days (not counting Sundays). We observe this time in memory of the 40 days Jesus spent fasting in the desert before beginning His ministry. It also recalls the 40 days of the Flood before God made the world anew, and the 40 years the Israelites spent wandering in the desert before entering the Promised Land. Traditionally, Catholics practice prayer, fasting, and almsgiving

during this season in order to unite ourselves to the suffering Jesus endured for our salvation. In the days leading up to Ash Wednesday you will often hear: “What are you giving up for Lent?” Giving up a favorite food or activity can be a good practice, but there are ways to enter even more deeply into this penitential season.

**BY THE END OF THIS MONTH, YOUR CHILDREN SHOULD BE ABLE TO:**

- Recite this month’s Scripture Memorization.**
  - Parent’s Guide: Page 144.
  - Activity Book: Pages 112-117
- Define this month’s Words to Know.**
  - Parent’s Guide: Pages 152, 167
  - Activity Book: Page 134.
- Tell you about St. Paul Miki and Companions.**
  - Parent’s Guide: Pages 182-183
  - Activity Book: Pages 131-133

### *February in Review*

**THIS MONTH YOU EXPLORED AS A FAMILY THE QUESTIONS:**

- What are today’s challenges in respecting life and cultivating purity?**
  - Parent’s Guide: Words to Know p. 152, **Fifth Commandment Scenarios p. 153-154, Challenges to Life p. 155-156, Words of Life p. 157-159, Pure of Heart p. 160-162, Something Beautiful p. 163-164, Ten Commandments Tablets p. 165**
  - Activity Book: **Fifth Commandment Scenarios p. 118, Acts of Life p. 119, Ten Commandments Tablet p. 197**
- How can I store up treasure in Heaven?**
  - Parent’s Guide: **Treasure in Heaven p. 168-170**
  - Activity Book: **Treasure in Heaven p. 120,**
- How can I bear witness to the Truth?**
  - Parent’s Guide: **The Second Great Commandment and the Second Tablet p. 180-181**
  - Activity Book: **The Second Great Commandment and the Second Tablet p. 129**
- Do I see everything that I have as a gift from God?**
  - Parent’s Guide: **The Laborers in the Vineyard p. 173-175, Examination of Conscience p. 179**
  - Activity Book: **The Laborers in the Vineyard p. 122-123, Examination of Conscience p. 126-127**

**In Lesson 8 your children learned that:**

- The Fifth Commandment tells us to acknowledge all life as a God-given gift.**
  - Parent’s Guide: Words to Know p. 152, **Fifth Commandment Scenarios p. 153-154, Challenges to Life p. 155-156, Words of Life p. 157-159**
  - Activity Book: **Fifth Commandment Scenarios p. 118, Acts of Life p. 119,**
- The Sixth Commandment requires us to be pure.**
  - Parent’s Guide: **Pure of Heart p. 160-162, Something Beautiful p. 163-164, Ten Commandments Tablets p. 165**
  - Activity Book: **Ten Commandments Tablet p. 197**
- Marriage is a reflection of the intimate, free, and loving communion that is at the**

**heart of the Trinity.**

- ❑ Parent's Guide: **Pure of Heart** p. 160-162, **Something Beautiful** p. 163-164, **Ten Commandments Tablets** p. 165
- ❑ Activity Book: **Ten Commandments Tablet** p. 197

**In Lesson 9 your children learned that:**

- ❑ **The Seventh Commandment tells us we are not to take what is due to others.**
  - ❑ Parent's Guide: **Treasure in Heaven** p. 168-170
  - ❑ Activity Book: **Treasure in Heaven** p. 120
- ❑ **The Eighth Commandment speaks to us of living a life faithful to the truth.**
  - ❑ Parent's Guide: **Bearing Witness** p. 171-172
  - ❑ Activity Book: **Bearing Witness** p. 121
- ❑ **In the Ninth and Tenth Commandments, we are forbidden from desiring someone impurely and desiring what belongs to another.**
  - ❑ Parent's Guide: **The Laborers in the Vineyard** p. 173-175, **Examination of Conscience** p. 179,
  - ❑ Activity Book: **The Laborers in the Vineyard** p. 122-123, **Examination of Conscience** p. 126-127
  
- ❑ **Recommended Activities:**
  - ❑ Parent's Guide: Pages 153-154, 155-156, 157-159, 160-162, 163-164, 165, 168-170, 171-172, 173-175, 176-177, 178, 179, 180-181
  - ❑ Activity Book: Pages: 118, 119, 197, 120, 121, 122, 124, 126, 129

**Suggested Weekly Learning Goals February**

<b>Weekly Teaching for Parents</b>	
Week 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>❑ <b>Introduce Words to Know:</b> Parents discuss <b>words to know</b> with their children on Parent Guide pages 152 and 167. Teach their children what the words mean.</li><li>❑ <b>Understand Words to Know:</b> By the end of the week, the children should know how to <b>explain and define the words to know</b>.</li><li>❑ <b>Get to know St Paul Miki and Companions:</b> Parents and children should read the brief biography of Saint Paul Miki and companions on Parent Guide pages 182-183</li><li>❑ <b>Learn Commandments: Commandments 5-10</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>❑ <i>You shall not commit adultery.</i></li><li>❑ <i>You shall not steal.</i></li><li>❑ <i>You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.</i></li><li>❑ <i>You shall not covet your neighbor's wife.</i></li><li>❑ <i>You shall not covet your neighbor's goods.</i></li></ul></li></ul>

<p>Week 2</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❑ <b>Parent and Child Activities:</b> Parents should choose one or more activities on the Fifth and Sixth Commandments in the Parents Guide pages 168-181, lead the children through this activity.</li> <li>❑ <b>Learning Goal for the Week:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❑ <b>The child should understand that -</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❑ The Fifth Commandment tells us to acknowledge all life as a God-given gift.</li> <li>❑ The Sixth Commandment requires us to be pure.</li> <li>❑ Marriage is a reflection of the intimate, free, and loving communion that is at the heart of the Trinity.</li> </ul> </li> <li>❑ <b>The child should be able to answer the question -</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❑ What are today's challenges in respecting life and cultivating purity?</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<p>Week 3</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❑ <b>Parent and Child Activities:</b> Parents should choose one or more activities on Commandments seven through ten in the Parents Guide on pages 231-236 to teach their children.</li> <li>❑ <b>Learning Goals for the Week:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❑ <b>The Child should understand that -</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❑ The Seventh Commandment tells us we are not to take what is due to others.</li> <li>❑ The Eight Commandment speaks to us of living a life faithful to the truth.</li> <li>❑ In the Ninth and Tenth Commandment, we are forbidden from desiring someone impurely and desiring what belongs to another.</li> </ul> </li> <li>❑ <b>The child should be able to answer the questions -</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❑ How can I store up treasure in Heaven?</li> <li>❑ How can I bear witness to the Truth?</li> <li>❑ Do I see everything that I have as a gift from God?</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> <li>❑ <b>Your Catholic Home:</b> Make an intentional plan to give of yourself during the season of Lent. For example, offer the small sufferings you experience going without your favorite food or activity for the souls in Purgatory. You could also take the money you would have spent on it each day and set it aside to give to charity. In addition to going without something, you could also add a spiritual practice to your daily life to grow closer to Jesus: say additional prayers, attend an extra Mass each week, or volunteer at a local charity.</li> </ul>

# Celebrate!

## ST. PAUL MIKI AND COMPANIONS FEBRUARY 6



Ask Christ to help you to become happy. I obey Christ.

—St. Paul Miki



### THINGS TO DO THIS MONTH:

- 1 Go to Mass and get your throat blessed on the feast of St. Blase on **February 3**. St. Blase is the patron saint of throat illnesses.
- 2 Enjoy some sushi in honor of the 26 martyrs of Japan.

### COMMANDMENTS OF THE MONTH

**FIFTH COMMANDMENT**  
**SIXTH COMMANDMENT**  
**SEVENTH COMMANDMENT**  
**EIGHTH COMMANDMENT**  
**NINTH COMMANDMENT**  
**TENTH COMMANDMENT**

### REMEMBER!

In creating man and woman in His image and likeness, God designed them to be a reflection of the intimate, free, and loving communion that is at the heart of the Trinity.

### MEMORIZE!

We are stewards, not owners, of the life God has entrusted to us. It is not ours to dispose of. (CCC 2280)







GROUP  
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# THE FIFTH THROUGH THE TENTH COMMANDMENTS

## *DISCUSSION QUESTIONS*



Use the essays in your Parent's Guide to help answer these questions.

1. The Fifth Commandment says, "You shall not kill." What specifically does this commandment forbid and what are some examples?
2. We are made of body and soul. Does the Fifth Commandment only forbid killing the body? Can we spiritually "kill" others?
3. What is a specific circumstance in which killing someone is not murder?
4. What does the Fifth Commandment compel us to do?
5. What is a way you can personally uphold the Fifth Commandment?



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# THE FIFTH THROUGH THE TENTH COMMANDMENTS

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Use the essays in your Parent's Guide to help answer these questions.

10. The Seventh Commandment says, "You shall not steal." What specifically does this commandment forbid and what are some examples?
  
11. What does the Seventh Commandment compel us to do?
  
12. How can you uphold the Seventh Commandment in your own life?
  
13. The Eighth Commandment says, "You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor."
  
14. What does the Eighth Commandment compel us to do?
  
15. How can we practically live out the Eighth Commandment in our own life on a daily basis?

