# FAMILY+FAITH

LIVING AND LEARNING TOGETHE

#### **YOUR CHILD LEARNED >>>**

This chapter identifies a disciple as a follower of Jesus who believes in him, lives by his teaching, and connects serving others with serving God.

#### God's Word



Read Matthew 23:11–12 to learn who is truly greatest in God's eyes, the one seated at the table or the one who serves

### **Catholics Believe**

- Jesus' words and actions teach us how to love and serve God.
- When you serve others, you are serving God.

To learn more, go to the Catechism of the Catholic Church #1822– 1827 at usccb.org.

# **People of Faith**

This week, your child met Venerable Father Solanus Casey. He was a humble man who spent his life serving others.

## CHILDREN AT THIS AGE >>>

**How They Understand Serving Others** Because they are naturally more focused on their own needs than on the needs of others, children at this age might sometimes fail to notice the ways in which they might be of help to another person. You can help your child with this by pointing out times when someone needs help or support and encouraging your child to think of some ways to be of service. It might also help to offer a few suggestions if he or she is unable to come up with ideas on his or her own.



#### **CONSIDER THIS >>>**

What motivates you to help others?

We all have different reasons for acting with charity. As Christians, however, we are united by the understanding that we are of service to one another because we have been united to Christ in Baptism and we act in his name. "In this communion of the Church, the members are called to love God, others, and self, and so to be a communal witness of the love by which Christ saved the world. By divine love we are joined to the communion of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit" (USCCA, p. 119).

# LET'S TALK >>>

- Talk about how Jesus washed his friends' feet and how they might have felt to have received his kindness.
- Ask your child to think of someone in your neighborhood who could use help. What kinds of things can you and your family do to help this person?

# LET'S PRAY >>>



Dear God, help us do our chores without complaining. Amen.



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