

YOUR CHILD LEARNED >>>

This chapter recalls that all members of the Church share in her mission to work for peace and justice and Jesus' instruction to his disciples to share the Good News.

God's Word



Read **2 Corinthians 13:11** and see ways that we can help and encourage one another.

Catholics Believe

- We can use our time, talent, and treasure to worship God, help others know about him, and respect and help others.
- The Church is a sign of the Kingdom of God.

To learn more, go to the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* #2044–2046 at usccb.org.

People of Faith

This week, your child met Saint Peter Claver who helped African slaves when they arrived in the Americas.

CHILDREN AT THIS AGE >>>

How They Understand the Work of the Church Today In our increasingly secular society, children may view the Church as quite separate from everyday life. It is important that we talk about our identity as members of the Catholic community and how this identity is one we carry with us into all places and situations. This calls us to responsibility. We are Jesus' voice, hands, and feet in the world.



CONSIDER THIS >>>

When have you experienced the peace that Jesus alone can give?

People describe peace in many ways including a lack of conflict or everyone just doing what they want. Jesus reminds us that the peace he alone can give comes from the hard work of dying to our ego. "Jesus' life, teaching, death, and Resurrection show us the meaning of love and justice in a broken world. Sacred Scripture and traditional ethical principles define what it means to make peace" (*Living with Faith and Hope after September 11, 2001*, quoted in *USCCA*, p. 332).

LET'S TALK >>>

- Ask your child what he or she can do right now to follow Jesus' example.
- Discuss some ways your family can share their time, talent, and treasure.

LET'S PRAY >>>



Dear God, lead us to be like Saint Peter Claver and help those who are hungry or sick. Amen.



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