

Teaching Catholic Kids

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Kids and "The Apostles"

Pope Benedict XVI has devoted his time to writing a book about the Apostles. Each Apostle has a lifetime of lessons for us. Let's pull up a chair and look at the Twelve and their relationship with Our Lord.

This month on TCK

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Our Feature Article

this month an [excerpt from The Apostles by Pope Penedict XVI»](#)

Activity One is making a miniature grotto. Use Ann Ball's delightful grotto idea to remember St. James who ministered to the Christian community in Jerusalem following Jesus' death. He was martyred in Jerusalem. [Click here to download or view the PDF file»](#)

Activity Two: Use this page from Joan and Paul Plum's Teach Me About Saints to honor St. Peter. Click to download or view from [Teach Me About Saints to honor St. Peter»](#)

Our Teacher Pattern is "Fishing for Apostles," using the fish pattern from Beth McNamara's Christian Beginnings, Volume I. [Click to download or view the PDF file.»](#)

Soul Food for Teachers is also [an excerpt from The Apostles»](#)

Catechist's Know-How is ["Keeping the Faith in Public" by Mary Lou Rosien»](#)

Prayer

Dear Lord, what does it mean to be holy? You are holy, I know. Can I be holy? Am I expected to be holy? To be holy means to be

God or to belong to God. I belong to You. Therefore, I, too, am holy. This is amazing, Lord. This makes me question my behavior, my speech, my perceptions, and my attitude. If I am holy, I must work harder to look the part! Amen.

(Adapted from Kelley Renz's [God Listens to Our Children: Kids' Prayers for Every Day of the Liturgical Year](#), 2006. Encourage your parents to order copies for their children.)

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