

## 2015-2016 CASWELL FAMILY LITUGICAL PLANNER

- All Weeks begin on Monday, so that your reading for the week may prepare them for celebrations on Sundays.
- Our school year starts in August and ends in May before Memorial Day. Summer weeks have been sketched in for you if you go longer than we do.
- Sadly, some of the biggest picture-book-having holidays are during breaks for our family. We have so many St Patrick books that will never get read because it's always spring break. Only purchase those that you really will read.
- Also, along those lines, use this calendar to decide if you really NEED a picture book for that week. Go look at the week of September 29. I have MANY picture books for that week. Totally unnecessary. Be smarter than I.
- Before you buy all of the picture books, do yourself a favor and get all three Ethel Pochoki books: *Once Upon a Time Saints\**, *More Once Upon a Time Saints\*\**, and *Around the Year with Once Upon a Time Saints\*\*\**. All saints that appear in these books are marked with the asterisks above to tell you which one.
- We read the same books every year 1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade and generally do the same family crafts. It is all listed in this planner for you. The one exception is the MoDG kindergarten books. They're not generally good circle time read alouds. However, those that are good for that purpose are included.
- I list all the **BIG KID BOOKS** at the beginning of the month, so an older child (or a family that likes to read long saints biographies aloud) can read UP TO the feast day, if you like. I try to give at least a 10 day lead, so saints that come really early in the month may appear in previous (Cure of Ars (8/4) is listed in July)

## AUGUST

### Big Kid Books

- *The Curé of Ars*, Windeatt (fave!) 4-Aug
- *The Cure of Ars*, Vision (fave!) 4-Aug
- *Saint Dominic*, Windeatt 8-Aug
- *St. Dominic and the Rosary*, Vision 8-Aug
- *Francis and Clare: Saints of Assisi*, Vision 11-Aug
- *Saint Hyacinth of Poland*, (fave!) Windeatt 16-Aug
- *St. Pius X: The Farm Boy Who Became Pope*, Vision 21-Aug
- *Saint Rose of Lima*, (fave!) Windeatt 23-Aug

3-Aug

- Tuesday: Jean Vianney
  - *John Mary Vianney: The Holy Cure of Ars*, Mullenheim
  - (>1) *A Story of St. John Vianney*, Brother Ernest.

10-Aug

- Saturday: HDO Assumption, Swithin\*
  - *Mary, My Mother* SJPB
  - *Just Like Mary*, Gortler
  - *Mary, the Mother of Jesus* by De Paola on Kindle
- Sunday: Roch, Hyacinth\*
  - (Roch) *Legends of Saints and Beasts* by Jauss

17-Aug

- Monday: Tekla, Joan Delanoue\*\*
  - *A Saint and His Lion: The Story of Tekla of Ethiopia*, Stone
- Tuesday: Helena
  - *The Queen and the Cats: A Story of St. Helena*, Lee
- Friday: O.L. Knock\*\*\*, Pius X
  - (Pius X) *Book of Sanctity*
- Saturday: Queenship of Mary
  - *Take it to the Queen*, Nobisso
- Sunday: (Rose of Lima\*\*)

24-Aug

- Wednesday: O.L. Czestochowa\*\*\*
- Sunday: (Adauctus\*\*)

## SEPTEMBER

Picture Books: I like to do a review of sacraments the first month of school.

- *A Child's Guide to the Seven Sacraments* by Ficocelli
- (2) SJPB books about the Sacraments available

### Big Kid Books:

- *Saint John Masias* (fave!), Windeatt 18-Sep
- *St. Vincent de Paul*, Vision 27-Sep
- *The Little Flower*, Windeatt 1-Oct
- *St. Therese and the Roses* (fave!), Vision 1-Oct
- *Francis and Clare: Saints of Assisi* (fave!), Vision 4-Oct

31-Aug

- Thursday: Gregory the Great
  - *Our Island Saints*, free on kindle, has a nice story
- Saturday: Teresa of Calcutta
  - *Book of Virtues*, *Children's Treasury of Virtues*, or *Children's Book of America*
  - SJPB available

7-Sep

- Wednesday: Peter Claver
  - *Peter Claver, Patron Saint of Slaves*, Durango

14-Sep

- Monday: Triumph of the Holy Cross
  - *Tale of Three Trees*, Hunt
- Friday: Joseph Cupertino\*
  - *Little Friar Who Flew*, Gauch

21-Sep

- Wednesday: Padre Pio
  - SJPB available
- Saturday: Cosmos and Damien\*\*\*
- Sunday: Vincent De Paul\*\*\*
  - (~wk) *St. Vincent, Friend of the Poor*, Varela

## OCTOBER

**Picture Books:** This month we review the Rosary.

- Ficocelli, *A Child's Guide to the Rosary*
- If you want to pray the rosary, SJPB *Scriptural Rosary* by Winkler is a good manual for it.

### **Crafts:**

- Olive wood rosary craft from Emmanuel Books OR pony beads OR knotted. Whatever you like. If we accumulate too many, we put them in the giveaway basket at church.
- Lacing pouch from Emmanuel Books or one of the rosary hangers from Illuminated Ink.

### **Big Kid Books:**

- *Father Damien and the Bells* (fave!), Vision 11-Oct
- *Saint Margaret Mary*, Windeatt 17-Oct
- *St. Isaac and the Indians*, Vision 19-Oct
- *Saint Martin de Porres* (fave!), Windeatt 3-Nov

28-Sep

- Tuesday: Archangels\*\*\*
- Wednesday: Jerome
  - *Legends of Saints and Beasts* by Jauss
- Thursday: Therese\*\*\*
  - *Therese: Little Flower of Liseux*, Berger
  - SJPB available
- Friday: Guardian Angels\*\*\*
  - *Angel in the Waters*, Doman
  - SJPB available
- Saturday: St. Francis\*\*\*
  - *Francis, Poor Man of Assisi*, Levivier
  - *Legends of Saints and Beasts* by Jauss
  - SJPB available

5-Oct

- Sunday: (Damien of Molokai)
  - *Damien of Molokai: Builder of Community*, Yoffie

11-Oct

- Monday: Columbus Day
  - (Columbus) *Catholic Stories for Boys and Girls Volume 1*
- Tuesday: Edward the Confessor\*
- Thursday: Teresa of Avila\*\*
- Friday: Hedwig\*\*\*

19-Oct

- Monday: (Isaac Jogues)
  - *Catholic Stories for Boys and Girls Volume 1*

- Thursday: JP II
  - SJPB available

26-Oct

- Saturday: Halloween
  - We like to go over the uplifting material from:  
<http://looktohimandberadiant.blogspot.com/2013/10/finding-truth-in-halloween.html>
- Sunday: All Saints\*\*\*

## NOVEMBER

### Big Kid Books

- *Mother Cabrini Missionary to the World*, Vision 13-Nov
- *St. Elizabeth's Three Crowns*, Vision 17-Nov
- *The Miraculous Medal* (fave!), Windeatt 28-Nov
- *St. Catherine Laboure & the Miraculous Medal*, Vision 28-Nov
- *Edmund Campion*, Vision 1-Dec
- *St. Francis of the Seven Seas*, Vision 3-Dec

2-Nov

- Tuesday: Martin De Porres<sup>\*\*\*</sup>, Hubert\*
  - *Martin de Porres: The Rose in the Desert*, Schmidt
  - (>1) *St. Martin De Porres and the Mice*, Betz
  - SJPB available

9-Nov

- Wednesday: Veteran's Day, Martin of Tours<sup>\*\*</sup>
  - *Book of Sanctity*
  - *Children's Book of Heroes*, Bennett
- Friday: St. Francis Cabrini<sup>\*\*\*</sup>

16-Nov

- Wednesday: Rose Philippine Duchesne
  - *Rose Philippine Duchesne, Dreamer and Missionary*, Yoffie

23-Nov

- Monday: (Clement\*)
- Wednesday: Catherine of Alexandria
  - *St. Catherine of Alexandria*, Hart
  - (>1) *A Story of St. Catherine of Alexandria*, Flavuis
- Thursday: Thanksgiving
- Saturday: Catherine Laboure
  - *Catholic Stories for Boys and Girls Volume 1*

## ADVENT

Longer Books: During Advent, we read a longer book aloud instead of our usual science stories. We alternate between the following:

- *Stories of the Child Jesus from Many Lands*
- *Book of Angels* by Hunt
- *Catholic Tales for Boys and Girls* (series) by Houselander

### Crafts:

- Illuminated Ink Jesse Tree (3 ornaments a week), using Winkler's SJPB book, *Celebrating Advent with a Jesse Tree*, as much as possible (not all ornaments match).
- Illuminated Ink Advent Candles, if we need more.

Picture Books: We sprinkle these around for fun.

- *Clown of God* by De Paola
- *Once Upon a Time Saints* by Pochocki (Barnaby is the clown above)
- *The Legend of the Poinsettia* by De Paola (in *Joy to the World*)
- *Night of Las Posadas* by De Paola (in *Joy to the World*)
- *Friendly Beasts* by De Paola
- *Donkey's Dream* by Berger

30-Nov: ADVENT 1

- Thursday: Francis Xavier\*\*\*
- Sunday: St Nicholas\*\*\*
  - *St. Nicholas: The Real Story of the Christmas Legend* Stiegemeier
  - *The Real Santa Claus* by Mayer

7-Dec: ADVENT 2

- Tuesday: HDO I. C., Marcarius
  - (I. C.) *Immaculate Conception* SJPB
  - (Marcarius) *Legends of Saints and Beasts*, Jauss
- Saturday: O. L. Guadalupe\*\*\*
  - *Our Lady of Guadalupe* by Bernier-Grand OR De Paola version from library or Kindle is equally good
  - SJPB available

14-Dec: ADVENT 3

- Monday: Lucia\*\*\*
  - *Lucia Saint of Light* by Hyde

21-Dec: ADVENT 4

- Friday: Christmas
  - *Celebrating Christmas* SJPB
- Sunday: Holy Family
  - SJPB available

## JANUARY

**Picture Books:** We review confession this month, so we sprinkle these around.

- *A Child's Guide to Reconciliation* by Ficocelli
- We read CH 29 in *Baltimore Catechism No 1*, It's lovely.
- The SJPB books are more manuals for the ritual than read alouds

### Big Kids:

- *Saint Thomas Aquinas*, Windeatt 28-Jan
- *St. Thomas Aquinas & the Preaching Beggars* (fave!), Vision 28-Jan
- *St. John Bosco and St. Dominic Savio*, Vision 31-Jan

28-Dec:

- Friday: HDO Mary Mother of God
  - *Mary, My Mother* SJPB
  - *Just Like Mary*, Gortler
  - *Mary, the Mother of Jesus* by De Paola on Kindle
- Sunday: Epiphany
  - (Epiphany) *The Last Straw*, Thury
  - (Epiphany) *The Three Wise Kings*, De Paola (in *Joy to the World*)

4-Jan

- Monday: Seton
  - *Catholic Stories for Boys and Girls Vol II*
  - *Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton* by Yoffie
  - SJPB available
- Tuesday: Neumann\*\*\*
- Wednesday: Epiphany (we generally do these here)
  - *The Last Straw*, Thury
  - *The Three Wise Kings*, De Paola (in *Joy to the World*)

11-Jan

- Wednesday: Kentigern\*
- Thursday: Felix\*
  - *St. Felix and the Spider*, Jackson

18-Jan

- Thursday: O.L. Altagracia
  - *A Gift of Gracias: The Legend of Altagracia*, Alvarez
- Sunday: (Francis De Sales\*\*)

25-Jan

- Thursday: Thomas Aquinas\*\*\*
  - (~wk) *St. Thomas Aquinas* by Maritain
- Friday: Br. Juniper
  - *Brother Juniper*, Gibfried
- Sunday: (John Bosco)
  - (>1) *A Story of John Bosco*, Br. Ernest



## FEBRUARY/MARCH

Picture Books: This month, we like to review Holy Communion. Tarzia will take several days to get through, but the pictures are really fun.

- *A Child's Guide to Holy Communion* by Ficocelli
- (>1) *Jesus is With Us* by Tarzia
- *Friendship with Jesus*, Welborn
- The SJPB books are more manuals for the ritual than read alouds

### Big Kids:

- *St. Katharine Drexel* (good!), Vision 3-Mar
- *St. John Bosco and St. Dominic Savio*, Vision 9-Mar

2-Feb

- Monday: Brigid\*
  - *Brigid's Cloak: An Ancient Irish Story*, Milligan
  - (>1) *St. Brigid and the Cows*, Betz
- Wednesday: Ash Wed (Blaise)
  - (Blaise) *Book of Sanctity*
- Saturday: Miki\*\*\*, Dorothy\*

## LENT

Longer Books: During Lent, like Advent, we read a longer religious book instead of our usual short stories. We rotate between the following:

- *Catholic Tales for Boys and Girls* (series) by Houselander
- *The First Christians* by Hunt
- *St. Patrick's Summer* by Hunt
- *Life of Our Lord For Children* by Hunt

### Crafts/Activities:

- We like to burn the palms from last year.
- We like to track the season on this calendar: <http://www.catholicicing.com/printable-lenten-calendar-for-kids/>
- Holy week, we make crosses from this year's palms
- We may make the Illuminated Ink paschal candle

### Picture Books:

- *Little Rose of Sharon*, Gurley
- *Path to Heaven*, Bliss. We read two or more picture meditations per week. I print out the pictures and the "find it" pages in the back of the book so each child can have a copy.
- *Celebrating Lent* SJPB
- *Way of the Cross for Children* by Winkler (SJPB) is a good manual, if you do the stations at home

8-Feb

- Wednesday: ASH WED (Scholastica)
  - *The Holy Twins*, De Paola, if your library has it
- Thursday: O. L. Lourdes
  - SJPB *Our Lady of Lourdes*
  - *Bernadette: The Little Girl From Lourdes*, Marival-Hutin (We often bump it off of this packed week to April for Bernadette alone)
- Saturday: Modomnoc
  - *The Saint and his Bees*, Jackson
- Sunday: Valentine's
  - *Saint Valentine*, Sabuda

15-Feb: LENT 1

- Monday: Chair of St. Peter
  - *Peter, Apostle of Jesus*, Grebille
  - SJPB available

22-Feb: LENT 2

- Sunday: (David of Wales\*\*) Lent 3

29-Feb: LENT 3

- Sunday: Lent 4

7-Mar: LENT 4

- Wednesday: Frances of Rome\*\*\*
- Sunday: (Longinus\*) Lent 4

14-Mar: LENT 5

- Thursday: Patrick\*\*\*
  - *Patrick: Patron Saint of Ireland*, De Paola
  - SJPB available
  - (>1) *A Story of St. Patrick*, Janda
  - (>1) *And God Blessed the Irish*, Driscoll
- Saturday: Joseph\*\*\*
  - *Song of the Swallows*, Politi
  - SJPB available
- Sunday: Palm Sunday
  - *The Easter Story SJPB*

21-Mar: Holy Week

- Holy Thursday: *The Weight of a Mass*, Nobisso
- Easter Sunday: See following page

## EASTER

### Picture Books:

- *Easter is for Me*, Mackall
- *Petook: An Easter Story*, Houselander (in most libraries)
- *The Easter Story*, Wildsmith
- *The Jesus Garden*, Bosco (weird to me, but the kids love it)

Crafts and Activities: Since this is the season of candy anyway, I just give in and let it go. Catholicicing.com has a great series of ice cream Sundaes that celebrate all of the Sundays of the season. It's a fun treat for the kids and helps us use up some of that candy.

- Divine Mercy Sundae: ice cream, squirt cream, something red, something blue, cherry.  
<http://www.catholicicing.com/celebrate-divine-mercy-sunday/>
- Ascension Sundae: Blue Jello, whipped topping.  
<http://catholiccuisine.blogspot.com/2013/08/heavenly-assumption-parfaits.html>
- Pentecost Sundae: ice cream, something red, strawberry flames, Dove chocolates  
<http://www.catholicicing.com/celebrate-pentecost-sunday-with-pentecost-sundaes/>
- Trinity Sundae: Neapolitan ice cream <http://www.catholicicing.com/celebrate-trinity-sunday-with-trinity-sundaes/>

### Big Kid Books:

<i>Bernadette: Our Lady's Little Servant</i> , Vision	16-Apr
<i>Saint Louis de Montfort</i> , Windeatt	28-Apr
<i>Saint Catherine of Siena</i> , Windeatt	29-Apr
<i>Blessed Marie of New France</i> , Windeatt	30-Apr

28-Mar:

- Saturday: Francis Paola
  - (Paola) SJPB available
- Sunday: Divine Mercy

4-Apr

- Monday: Fradello\*

11-Apr

- Saturday: Bernadette
  - *Bernadette: The Little Girl From Lourdes*, Marival-Hutin

18-Apr

- Saturday: St. George
  - *Saint George and the Dragon* by Hodges
  - *Book of Virtues*, or better, in *Children's Book of Virtues* or *Treasury of Virtues*

25-Apr

- Wednesday: Zita\*
- Friday: Catherine of Siena\*\*\*
- Sunday: Joseph the Worker\*\*\*
  - *Good Saint Joseph* SJPB

## MAY

### Big Kid Books:

- *The Patron Saint of First Communicants*, Windeatt 13-May
- *The Children of Fatima*, Windeatt 13-May
- *St. Philip of the Joyous Heart*, Vision 26-May
- *St. Joan: The Girl Soldier*, Vision 30-May

2-May

- Sunday: Ascension Sunday (Comgall\*)

9-May

- Friday: O. L. Fatima
  - *O. L. Fatima*, SJPB
- Sunday: Pentecost Sunday

16-May

- Monday: Brendan
  - *St. Brendan and the Voyage Before Columbus*, McGrew
- Tuesday: (Pascual Baylon)
  - (Pascual) *Pascual and the Kitchen Angels*, De Paola
- Sunday: Trinity Sunday

23-May

- Monday: Joan of Arc
  - *Joan of Arc: The Lily Maid*, Hodges
  - SJPB available
- Thursday: Neri\*\*
- Sunday: Corpus Christi

## SUMMER SAINTS

We generally sprinkle these in the school year on blank weeks that need retellings.

### JUNE

#### Big Kid Books:

- *Saint Margaret Mary* (Sacred Heart St), Windeatt 12-Jun
- *St. Anthony and the Christ Child* (fave!), Vision 13-Jun
- *St. Thomas More of London*, Vision 22-Jun
- *Saint Paul the Apostle*, Windeatt 29-Jun

6-Jun

- Friday: Margaret of Scotland\*

13-Jun

- Monday: Anthony Padua
  - (Anthony) SJPB available
- Wednesday: Germaine\*
  - *Book of Sanctity*
  - (>1) *St. Germaine and the Sheep*, Betz

27-Jun

- Friday: Junipero Serra
  - **Book of Virtues**
- Sunday: Thomas\*\*\*

### JULY

#### Big Kid Books:

- *Saint Benedict*, Windeatt 11-Jul
- *Saint Francis Solano*, (fave!) Windeatt 13-Jul
- *Kateri Tekakwitha*, Vision 14-Jul
- *St. Ignatius and the Company of Jesus*, Vision 31-Jul

4-Jul

- Friday: Elizabeth of Portugal\*\*

11-Jul

- Thursday: Kateri Tekakwitha\*\*
  - *Kateri Tekakwitha*, Yoffie
  - SJPB available

18-Jul

- Sunday: St Christopher\*\*
  - *Christopher, the Holy Giant*, De Paola (used, or on kindle)

25-Jul

- Tuesday: St. Anne\*\*
- Thursday: Martha\*