

Jesus Grew Up in a Family

Overview

In Chapter 2 the children learned about the Three Persons of the Blessed Trinity. In this chapter the children will learn how Jesus grew up as part of a family.

	or Adult Reading and Reflection Catechism of the Catholic Church
The children will learn:	Paragraph
 God chose Mary to be the 	
Mother of his Son	484
• Jesus was born in Bethlehem	
• Jesus lived in Nazareth with	
Mary and Joseph	
The Holy Family obeyed God	
the Father and prayed to him	531



Catechist Background

What childhood memories do you have of experiencing God's presence in your family?

Artists throughout the centuries have been fascinated by the Annunciation. Their depictions of the angel Gabriel's appearance to the Virgin Mary have helped us to appreciate her willing cooperation with God's plan. She had been chosen by God to give birth to his only Son. Mary said yes to God's request. She gave birth to Jesus in Bethlehem, the city of David, because her husband Joseph belonged to the messianic lineage of King David.

After fleeing to Egypt because of a threat from King Herod, Mary and Joseph returned and settled in Nazareth. Within this loving Jewish family, Jesus "grew and became strong, filled with wisdom" (Luke 2:40). The Holy Family lived as devout

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- Six Tasks of Catechesis
- Catholic Social Teaching.

Jews, praying daily and worshiping in the local synagogue as well as in the Temple in Jerusalem.

The Holy Family prayed to God and showed love for God and one another. They obeyed the laws of their country. We can act in the same way within our own families. Many of the children may live in different types of families. Your challenge as a catechist is to make room for all their families when you talk of loving God and one another within families.

How can you promote the virtues of the Holy Family within all families?

Lesson Planning Guide

Lesson Steps

Presentation

Materials

For the prayer space: a small table cov-



WE GATHER

🚣 Prayer



Focus on Life

- Pray for families.
 - ered with a cloth, figures of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph from a Christmas crèche
- Discuss what is special about families. drawing paper; crayons or colored pencils (option)

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God chose Mary to be the Mother of his Son.



Yes to God.

about Mary being chosen by God. Complete the activity about saying

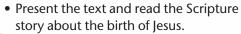
• Read the Scripture story and the text



Luke 1:26–35, 37

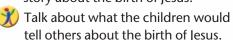
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Jesus was born in Bethlehem.





Luke 2:1–7



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Jesus lived in Nazareth with Mary and Joseph.

- Read and discuss the text about the Holy Family.
- Discuss ways the Holy Family helped one another.
- Identify ways the Holy Family shared their love.
- a globe or world map
- crayons or colored pencils

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The Holy Family obeyed God the Father and prayed to him.

• Present the text about the Holy Family's obeying and praying to God.

WE RESPOND

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- Reflect about family prayer.
- Pray a prayer before meals.
- copies of Reproducible Master 3, quide page 35C
- scissors

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Project Disciple

- Complete the **Project Disciple** activities.
- Explain the Take Home activity.
- Discuss/send home **Sharing Faith** with My Family reproducible master for this chapter.
- pencils, crayons or colored pencils
- copies of Sharing Faith with My Family reproducible master, Chapter 3 (back of book)

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Chapter 3 Test

- Complete Chapter 3 Test.
- Work on Alternative Assessment activity.
- optional: copies of Scripture reproducible master, What's the Word?, Chapter 3 (back of book)

For additional ideas, activities, and opportunities: Visit Sadlier's www.WEBLICE.web.com