DIVINE MERCY PASTORATE · FALL MISSION 2026

I’m a Saint in the Making

Living the Faith in Our Domestic Churches

St. John Paul II Family Formation · Harrisburg South Middle School
Sunday, November 8, 2026 · 10:30 AM – 12:00 PM

“The future of humanity passes by way of the family.”

POPE ST. JOHN PAUL II, FAMILIARIS CONSORTIO 86

BE A SAINT IN THE MAKING EVERY DAY

Listen with your ears
to hear someone who is sad.

Look with your eyes
to notice a friend treated unkindly.

Speak with your mouth
words that are kind, just and true.

Touch with your hands
to hug a friend or feed someone hungry.

SIMPLE WAYS TO LIVE THE FAITH AT HOME

1. **Make the saints family friends**
   Read their stories at bedtime and invite them into your home.
2. **Make the Eucharist the center**
   Plan the rest of your week around Sunday Mass.
3. **Celebrate your patrons**
   Mark name days and parish feast days like little birthdays.
4. **Find a role and serve**
   Greeter, lector, server, choir: kids who help belong.
5. **Spot saintliness**
   Catch your kids being saints and name it out loud.
6. **Strip away the non-essential**
   Make room on the calendar for God and family.
7. **Read the Sunday Gospel ahead**
   Preview it on Saturday night so kids recognize it at Mass.
8. **Ask, “How can I pray for you today?”**
   Ask each other, then really pray for one another.
9. **Savor the seasons**
   Advent, Lent and Easter each have their own traditions. Crafts are optional!
10. **Write a family mission statement**
    Talk it over at dinner and hang it on the fridge.

HOW IS GOD CALLING YOU TO BE A SAINT?

Receive Jesus
Go to Mass; Carlo Acutis called the Eucharist his “highway to heaven.”

Be a brave friend
Stand up for someone who is left out or bullied.

Serve together
Share food, toys or time with families who need help.

Remember and pray
Light a candle and pray for loved ones who have died.

FAMILY CONVERSATION STARTERS FOR THE RIDE HOME

- *Which saint would you like to get to know better? Why?*
- *Where did you see God today?*
- *Who is your patron saint, and when is their feast day?*
- *What is one way our family can serve someone this week?*

“I’m a saint in the making and you are too. Our world is waiting for us. Let’s go!”

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