



**National Catholic  
Partnership on Disability**  
**Alianza Nacional Católica  
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# **Adapted Faith Formation Lessons for July**

**Council on Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities**

# Family Faith Formation



“The witness of Christian life given by parents in the family comes to children with tenderness and parental respect. Children thus perceive and joyously live the closeness of God and of Jesus made manifest by their parents in such a way that the first Christian experience frequently leaves decisive traces which last throughout life.”

***General Directory for Catechesis #226***



# Four Keys for Practicing Faith

- **Caring Conversations**
- **Family Devotions and Prayer**
- **Family Rituals and Traditions**
- **Family Service**

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# July Monthly Activity

## *Freedom*

Complete the recommended activities about freedom  
and have a family discussion.

### **CARING CONVERSATIONS**

Example: What are some of the freedoms we enjoy in this country?  
What does it mean to be free?

### **FAMILY DEVOTIONS AND PRAYER**

Example: Renewal of the Baptismal Promises

[https://ncpd.org/files/file\\_uploads/A\\_Renewal\\_of\\_Baptismal\\_Promises.pdf](https://ncpd.org/files/file_uploads/A_Renewal_of_Baptismal_Promises.pdf)

Song: “My Country ‘Tis of Thee”

<https://youtu.be/sN2I6vdzgts>



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### **FAMILY RITUALS AND TRADITIONS**

Example: celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation

### **FAMILY SERVICE**

Example: send notes or small care packages to people in prison.

Family share time at monthly gathering

We studied Freedom. This month we prayed about \_\_\_\_\_?

Talked about \_\_\_\_\_? Saw freedom in action how...?



# Activities

## Read/Listen to *Scripture*

Luke 4:16-21 <http://www.usccb.org/bible/luke/4>

John 8:31-36 <http://www.usccb.org/bible/john/8>

An American Saint for July: St. Kateri Tekakwitha:

<https://www.franciscanmedia.org/saint-kateri-tekakwitha/>



# Activities



## Family Project:

Practicing the Corporal Work of Mercy, visiting the imprisoned, as a family write encouraging notes, or perhaps send small care packages to persons who are in prison.



# Activities

## Everyone Belongs (Loyola Press)

[https://store.loyolapress.com/site/assets/discussion-gd/EveryoneBelongsActivities\\_Intro-Gr5.pdf](https://store.loyolapress.com/site/assets/discussion-gd/EveryoneBelongsActivities_Intro-Gr5.pdf)

### Children's Prayer:

We are all made in God's Image Loving Father, thank you for the many beautiful colors and languages of the world and for making all your children unique. Thank you for creating me in your image. Thank you for loving me and making me wonderful. Help me love like you. Help me share your love with all the children you have made, for they are unique and wonderful.

Amen.

(Include this prayer once a week at supper time.)





# Activities

## July family fun!

Enjoy backyard camping, game night and counting fire-flies

Sit by an outside fire and roast marshmallows

Organize your photo memories



# USCCB Scripture Resources

Daily Readings:

[English Daily Readings Audio](#)

[Video Reflection](#)

Click on the links above to reflect on Scripture by reading, listening or viewing it.



# Tips and Tools

**TRANSITIONS** from one activity to another can often be difficult for individuals with sensory issues. A great tool used in homes and classrooms is a **TIMER**.



# Tips and Tools

If a person can visually see how long they have left to complete a task/assignment they are more at ease with the change that transitions bring.

Timers also work as a great way to make a practiced skill a competitive game. Who can say *the Pledge of Allegiance* the fastest...the slowest...

Improve reading skills with 1-minute timed reading tests to determine how many words they are reading per minute. Let mom and dad get into the fun too!



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