


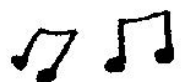
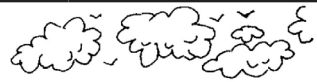



JULY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 <p>"Make a joyful noise to the LORD ..." </p>					<p>1 Cut out paper hearts and decorate them in honor of the Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus.</p>	<p>2 Turn off electronics and enjoy something God made. Head to a park or take a trip to the zoo.</p>
<p>3 To honor the Third Commandment, make God's Day holy by going to church together and spending time as a family.</p>	<p>4 Make red, white and blue cupcakes to celebrate our country's Independence Day.</p>	<p>5 Blow bubbles up to the sky and imagine that angels are catching them.</p>	<p>6 In honor of the feast day of St. Maria Goretti, forgive everyone who hurts you today.</p>	<p>7 Plant a carrot as a symbol of how God's love is rooted and grows deep within us.</p>	<p>8 Put on Mom's lipstick and make a card filled with kisses for a loved one who lives far away.</p>	<p>9 Listen to sacred music or children's Bible tunes while running errands or playing indoors today.</p>
<p>10 Make a card to give your priest after Mass, thanking him for his commitment to God and to the church.</p>	<p>11 Recite the prayer to St. Michael the Archangel tonight before going to bed.</p>	<p>12 God's creation is amazing. Go for a walk and see how many different types of birds you can spot.</p>	<p>13 In honor of the second commandment, say an extra "Our Father" and remember to be reverent to God's holy name.</p>	<p>14 In honor of Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha, offer a special prayer for all children who have been orphaned.</p>	<p>15 Invite neighbors or friends over for an old fashioned cookout, complete with potato salad and watermelon.</p>	<p>16 The sun warms us like a big hug from Jesus. Spend some time outside soaking up the sunshine.</p>
<p>17 In honor of the third commandment, make Sunday special by planning a family activity after Mass today.</p>	<p>18 Start off the day by making someone in your home feel special by bringing them breakfast in bed.</p>	<p>19 Get out the sidewalk chalk and draw pictures of all the things that make you happy.</p>	<p>20 Take a trip to the library to check out a book of Bible stories or one about the Saints.</p>	<p>21 In honor of the fourth commandment, bake a cake today to celebrate Mom and Dad.</p>	<p>22 St. Mary Magdalene asked Jesus for forgiveness. Like Jesus, forgive someone who has made you sad.</p>	<p>23 Cut out a paper star and write on it five ways your child brings brightness to your day.</p>
<p>24 Make today special by meeting another family for breakfast or inviting them over for brunch after Mass.</p>	<p>25 Celebrate Christmas in July by taking out the photo albums and enjoying the Christmas memories of years past.</p>	<p>26 Set out a vase of flowers today to honor St. Joachim and St. Anne, parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary.</p>	<p>27 Take care of God's creatures by hanging a birdhouse or filling a bird feeder.</p>	<p>28 In honor of the fifth commandment, plant seeds or a tree to remind you of how precious life is.</p>	<p>29 Write a letter to someone special to you. Tell them why they are an important part of your life.</p>	<p>30 Get the family together for a movie tonight about someone who has made a difference in the lives of others.</p>
<p>31 Play a game of Scrabble with the family but only use words or names you'd find in the Bible.</p>	  <p>"... all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises!" (Psalm 98:4) </p>					



August

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	1 Play the Smile Game. Earn a point for every person you can make smile today. See who earns the most points.	2 In honor of the Sixth Commandment, nurture a friendship you have with someone by doing a secret good deed for him or her.	3 Laughter is good for your health. Tell jokes and make each other giggle.	4 Decorate a stone with paint or stickers. Place it on your pillow when you make your bed to remind yourself to pray every night.	5 Make a list of all your blessings. Hang it in your room as a reminder of how lucky you are on days you might be sad.	6 Invite family or friends over for dinner or dessert. Ask them to share stories with you about their faith and love for God.
7 Make this day angelic by reading a story about the angels and enjoying angel food cake for dessert.	8 In honor of St. Dominic, patron saint of astronomers, lay out a blanket tonight and marvel at the stars in the sky.	9 Bake heart shaped cookies and give them to the people you love.	10 To honor the Seventh Commandment, donate something you have to someone else who may need it.	11 Work like St. Nicholas today by doing something special for someone without him or her knowing it was you.	12 Tape a large piece of paper to the wall. Make a mural of all your favorite summer activities.	13 Host a Scavenger Hunt. Have one person make a list of 10 things the rest of you have to find. Do it as a family or ask friends to join you.
14 In today's reading, Jesus heals a sick child. Say a special prayer at Mass today for all who are suffering.	15 Decorate your home with flowers to celebrate the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary.	16 In honor of the Eighth Commandment, be sure to only speak the truth about other people. Try to say only good things.	17 Celebrate the Eucharist by making homemade bread together to enjoy with dinner.	18 Draw pictures of things that make you happy. Save them to add to birthday and greeting cards you send throughout the year to spread extra cheer.	19 Enjoy some family time. Have everyone share a favorite Bible story.	20 St. Bernard gave up all his wealth to become a monk. Give up something today in honor of his sacrifice.
21 Pope St. Pius X encouraged frequent reception of Holy Communion, especially by children. Do what is necessary to receive Communion as a family today.	22 Recite the prayer "Hail, Holy Queen" in honor of the Queenship of our Mother Mary.	23 In honor of the Ninth Commandment, include in your night-time prayers blessings for five people who are important to your family.	24 Celebrate the feast day of St. Bartholomew by seeing how many different words you can make with letters from his name.	25 Dye colored eggs in August? Why not? Enjoy coloring Easter eggs as a celebration of Jesus' victory over death.	26 In honor of the Tenth Commandment, have a family meal and let each person give thanks to God for your top 10 favorite blessings.	27 Celebrate a great summer by preparing dinner as a family and sharing your favorite summer memories at the table.
28 After Mass, run through a sprinkler today in honor of St. John the Baptist, the man who baptized Jesus.	29 Say an extra prayer today that you will be blessed with a good school year.	30 Kindness is contagious. See how many kind things you can do for others today.	31 Sts. Joseph of Arimathea and Nicodemus took great personal risks to show their support for Jesus. Today, make the Sign of the Cross in public.	