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learn about each Person of the Holy Trinity. God the Father loves and cares for us as a faithful parent. We can trust and rely on God the Father. Jesus, the Son of God, sets an example for us with his life and teachings. God the Holy Spirit guides the Church and helps us to be holy.







Faith in Action!

Catholic Social Teaching Principle: Life and Dignity of the Human Person

God the Father

Let Us Pray

Leader: Loving father, remember us always.

"As a father has compassion on his children. so the LORD has compassion on the faithful."

All: Loving father, remember us always. Amen.

Activity Let's Begin

Family members love one another. They want to keep one another safe and happy. Read this poem about parents.

Parents

Parents

Kind, patient,

Teaching, guiding, loving.

They're always there for me. Friends

Talk about how family members show love for you. How do you show love for your family?

Write a Note Write a thank-you note to a family member for showing love and care for you.

Care for God's Children

Focus How does God care for you?

This is a story about a priest. He made a home for children who had no parents to love and care for them.

A BIOGRAPHY

St. John Bosco

Lorenzo and Giovanni huddled alone in the shadows. They heard mothers and fathers calling for their children. Nobody called Lorenzo or Giovanni.

Father John Bosco found the boys cold and in the dark. He brought them home. They told Father John that many other children lived alone on the streets.

"I will start a home for the children of the streets. I will teach them how to read, fix things, and pray," said Father John.

Father John helped many children who were homeless to feel loved. He taught them that God is everyone's Father. After he died, he was named a saint.

What do you think Father John's home for children was like?



Father John Bosco treated the young children like they were his own. He showed them love and taught them about God, like Jesus did.

Jesus taught about his Father's great love. God cares for everything and everyone. God loves you as a good parent does.

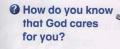
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A saint is a holy person who obeyed God and followed Jesus.

SCRIPTURE

I will never forget you. See, upon the palms of my hands I have written your name.

Isaiah 49:15-16



Don Bosco Orphanage in Los Palos, East Timor

Residents of

Activity

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Think: What are some ways God cares for you?

Share: With a partner, talk about ways you can thank God.

Act: Trace the outline of your hand. Write a thank-you prayer to God.



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The Father's Love



What does it mean to trust in God?

Jesus told people not to worry too much. He said that God the Father wants you to have everything you need.



SCRIPTURE

Matthew 6:25-32

Count on God

Do not worry about what you will eat or wear. Life is more important than food and clothing. Look at the birds in the sky. They do not plant their food, they do not gather grain, yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not more important than they? Learn from the way the wild flowers grow. They do not work or spin, but they are beautiful. If God so cares for grass of the field, how much more will he take care of you? Do not worry. Your heavenly Father knows what you need.

Based on Matthew 6:25-32







Trust in God

Jesus always called God "Father." You call God "Father" because he created you and cares for you. Jesus told his followers to pray to the Father for whatever they might need. In your prayer, you will be speaking to God the Father as Jesus did.

Jesus knew that you can always trust God. You can be sure that God loves you and wants what is best for you. God, your loving Father, is always listening.

Words of Faith

Prayer is talking to and listening to God.

To **trust** is to believe in and depend on someone.

Activity Connect Your Faith Write An Asking Prayer Write down some of the things that you and others need. God our Father. Amen

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Trust in God



What does it mean to have trust?

When you love or respect someone, you have trust in that person. You believe that the person will do what is best for you. You know you can depend on that person in good times and bad times.

You can trust

- family members to love you and take care of you
- your friends to play fair and treat you kindly
- teachers to help you learn
- crossing guards and police officers to protect you
- members of your parish family to help you grow closer to God.

Sometimes, people you trust may let you down, even though they do not mean to. But you can always depend on God. You are his child. He is with you every day. You can trust God to love you, to care for you, and to give you what you need.

Who are some of the people you trust? Who are some of the people who trust you?



Activity

Live Your Faith

Find the Message In the puzzle below, every third letter is printed in red. Find the red letters and circle them. Then copy the circled letters in order on the lines below to find the secret message.

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CVGLLO ZADRTW VMISSL NLLRST CBAMMK
USEABC CBAQVR LMEDEO PZFMMY MNOHKU

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Asking Prayer



Gather and begin with the Sign of the Cross.

Leader: Let us pray for those who need God's help.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: For people who have lost their homes,

let us pray to the Lord.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: For people who are far from their families,

let us pray to the Lord.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: For help to care for others as Jesus did,

let us pray to the Lord.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.



Jesus' hands were kind hands, doing good to all, healing pain and sickness, blessing children small. washing tired feet, and saving those who fall; Jesus' hands were kind hands, doing good to all.

"Jesus' Hands Were Kind Hands" © 1979 Stainer & Bell Ltd.



Review and Apply

	with Words Fill in the blank with rect word from the Word Bank.	trust cares
1. God	dfor eryone.	Father prayer parent
2. Jes	tus taught you to call God the	con trust in God se he lovesyou
3. Go	d loves you like a good	
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Activity Live Your Faith

Make a Calendar Think about needs that you or others have. Make a one-week calendar. Write one need for each day. Each day, think of a need, then ask God for help.



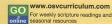
Family Faith

Catholics Believe

- You can call God "Father" because he created you and cares for you like a good parent.
- You can trust in God because he loves you.



In Matthew 6:19–21 you can read what Jesus teaches about real treasure.



Activity

Live Your Faith

Start a Prayer Chain Make strips of colored paper. Each day, choose something to give to God's loving care. Write it on a colored strip, and attach it to the chain. The chain will remind you that your prayers are with God. So don't worry!





▲ Blessed Julian of Norwich, 1342–1420

People of Faith

Julian prayed to God as a Father and a dear Friend. She called God Mother and Brother, too. Julian said that the whole world was like a small hazelnut held in God's hand. Everything would be just fine because God cares for everything and everyone. Julian spent her life in prayer, fasting, study, and counseling others. Her feast day is May 13.



Blessed Julian, carry our prayer to God. He calls us by name. He holds us in the palm of his hand. Amen.

Unit 2 Review

- Mork with Words Complete each sentence with the letter of the correct word or words from the Word Bank.
 - 1. People who follow Jesus are called
 - 2. Jesus promised to send the
 - 3. Listening and talking to God is called
 - Jesus taught us to call God _____
 - 5. The three Persons in one God is called the _____.

WORD BANK

- a. Holy Spirit
- b. disciples
- c. Holy Trinity
- d. Father
- e. prayer
- (B) Check Understanding Complete each sentence in Column I with the letter of the correct word or words from Column 2. Column 2

Column I

- 6. The third Person of the Holy Trinity is the _____.
- 7. The Mother of God's Son
- a. The first Person of the Holy Trinity is the ____
- 9. A saint who helped homeless boys is _
- 10. The second Person of the Holy Trinity is _____

a. Mary

- b. John Bosco
- c. Holy Spirit
- d. Jesus
- e. Father

Circle the correct answer.

11. You can always ____ God to love you.

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12.	After Jesus wa		traveled all over the
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17.	Prayer is talkin	g to and	
18.	To trust is to be	elieve in and	
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20.	Disciples are p	eople who ch	oose