## FOLLOWING IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF THE SAINTS

September 2025



# Our September Saints



Bl. Pier Giorgio Frassati

#### "Man of the Beatitudes"

He developed a deep spiritual life which he never hesitated to share with his friends. The Holy Eucharist and the Blessed Virgin were the two poles of his world of prayer. At the age of 17, he joined the St. Vincent de Paul Society and dedicated much of his spare time to serving the sick and the needy,

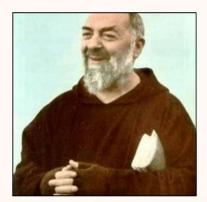
He is the patron saint of youth, young adults, and World Youth Day, and is also a model for mountaineers and sportsmen and women. His exemplary life of faith and joy, lived with a motto of "Verso L'Alto" (To the Heights), inspires many people, especially young Catholics, to live their faith in ordinary life and to strive for spiritual heights. He will be canonized September 7.

#### "Known for the Stigma & Mystical Experiences"

He joined the Capuchin Friars at the age of 15 and was ordained a priest On September 20, 1918 the five wounds of our Lord's passion appeared on his body, making him the first stigmatized priest in the history of the Catholic Church. Countless persons were attracted to his confessional and many more received his saintly counsel and spiritual guidance through correspondence.

His whole life was marked by long hours of prayer and continual austerity. His letters to his spiritual directors reveal the ineffable suffering, physical and spiritual, which accompanied him all through his life. They also reveal his deep union with God, his burning love for the Blessed Eucharist and Our Blessed Lady.

He is the patron saint of adolescents, civil defense volunteers, and stress relief. Feast Day September 23



St. Padre Pio



## Following in the Footsteps of the Saints

The Catholic Extension Grant contributed:

"Following in the Footsteps of the Saints" Mass Bags for littles Family Prayer Stand, Saint cards, and Guardian Angel Nightlight.

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A selection of ideas for the month will be shared.

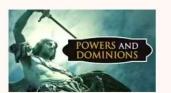
#### For September



Padre Pio



**Totally Toddlers** 



Powers and Dominions: Angels, Demons, and Spiritual Warfare



The Adventures of Ociee Nash

Fr. Levi James was our Saint presenter as St. Padre Pio and Jason Warfel was our Saint presenter as Bl. Pier Giorgio Frassati.

Pictures can be found on Facebook and Family Catechesis group.

Word of Life Workbook

The NEW K-8 religion workbook.

Word of Life catechizes both the head and the heart. When you teach the faith as information, students forget it. When you teach the faith as the answer to their deepest longings, students treasure it.

An Augustinian Model Centered in Scripture Word of Life forms students in a Catholic worldview. They read Scripture and they learn from beautiful, intellectually rigorous workbooks.

What Students Learn (and Remember) Salvation history. They know their place in God's divine plan.

**Christian anthropology.** They find their true identity in Christ.

**Heroic virtue.** They build good habits with the help of God's grace.

**Discipleship.** They understand why being Catholic really matters

**Digital Test** that your child takes at your families schedule in the student/parent portal. There are many helpful tools to utilize and experience.

- · Assessments: Digital
- Assessments: PDFs
- Enrichment Pages
- Family Faith Pages
- Flashcards
- Journal Pages
- Music
- Salvation History Timeline
- Videos: Brother Francis
- Videos: Lectio Divina
- Lesson Enhancement
- <u>Videos: Prayers to Know</u>
- Videos: Sacred Art

Upcoming October Events
Holy Cross Wendelin



1 Wed. Family Catechesis Gathering 6:30 pm Adult Presentation & Youth Activity Evening

4-5 Confirmation Commitment Weekend

11-12 Cup Blessing for 2<sup>nd</sup> graders

30 All Saint's Mass -Family Rosary-Trunk or Treat 6:30 p.m.

Come dressed as your favorite Saint

Pray the Family Saint Rosary 6:00 pm & after Mass the

tradition of a Parish Trunk or Treat.