

YOUR CHILD LEARNED >>>

This chapter explains how the First, Second, and Third Commandments help us keep God first in our lives and teach us to worship God and honor his name.

Scripture

 Read **Revelation 4:11; 7:12** to find out why and how to honor God.

Catholics Believe

- The first three Commandments teach you to honor God above all else, respect his name, and worship him on Sunday.
- These Commandments tell you to believe in, trust, and love God.

To learn more, go to the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* #2063–2065 at usccb.org.

People of Faith

This week, your child learned about Saint Mary Ann of Quito, one of the national heroes of Ecuador.

CHILDREN AT THIS AGE >>>

How They Understand Honoring God It can be a challenge for children to honor God above everything. Children this age are practical and concrete, so they are usually very focused on material things. Understanding that they should seek God more than they want the newest video game system or other high-tech device can pose a conflict for them. They need to know that if they ask him, God will help them form the desires of their heart so that they are in line with his will.



CONSIDER THIS >>>


What would your calendar indicate are the top priorities in your family's life?

Most of our calendars are filled with work, children's activities, and chores to keep the household running. Yet, the Commandments call us to prioritize with God in mind. As Catholics, we understand that "the first three Commandments treat our relationship to God. . . . The First Commandment calls us to have faith in the true God, to hope in him, and to love him fully with mind, heart, and will. . . . The First Commandment fosters the virtue of religion that moves us to adore God alone because he alone is holy and worthy of our praise" (*USCCA, p. 341*).

LET'S TALK >>>

- Ask your child to tell you one way we honor God in our lives.
- Talk about how your family keeps the Lord's Day.

LET'S PRAY >>>

 Dear God, may we always respect and honor your name and never use it as a swear word. Amen.

 For a multimedia glossary of Catholic Faith Words, Sunday readings, seasonal and Saint resources, and chapter activities go to aliveinchrist.osv.com.