



A WEEKLY NEWSLETTER FOR THE KIDS OF ST. AMBROSE

Sunday, January 15, 2023

Gospel: John 1:29-34

Saint Agnes was killed for her Christian faith in the year 305 AD. She was killed at a young age, 12 or 13, and this is one of the reasons she is always shown holding a lamb. She dedicated her life to Christ and wanted to always remain a virgin and never marry. The Romans tried to force her to marry but she refused. The Latin name for lamb is *agnus*. On her feast day each year, lambs are blessed inside her church in Rome, and the nuns at the St. Agnes convent weave using the wool from these lambs. We celebrate the feast of Saint Agnes on January 20. Saint Agnes, pray for us!

“Christ made my soul beautiful with the jewels of grace and virtue. I belong to Him whom the angels serve.”

- Saint Agnes



Saint Agnes - TheCatholicKid.com

FAMILY TIME

*At the dinner table,
in the car,
we talk about our faith,
wherever we are!*



In this week's Gospel, John the Baptist refers to Jesus as both the "Son of God" and the "Lamb of God" which reveals Jesus' purpose: to save sinful humanity. John shows us how our Baptism calls us to also make Jesus known to all the world by both our words and how we live.

LITTLE ONES: What words can you use to describe a lamb? How is Jesus like those words?

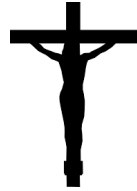
BIGGER ONES: What could others learn about Jesus only by watching how you live your life? What could they learn about Jesus from how your parents or grandparents live?

FAMILY CHALLENGE: The first reading today, from Isaiah, says that "the Lord has spoken who formed me as his servant from the womb..." God has called each member of your family to serve him in a unique way. Similar to the tradition of setting New Year's resolutions, spend some time discussing how you will serve God in this new calendar year.

Psalm 40: "Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will."

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WAITED
HYMN
SACRIFICE
OBEDIENCE
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ANNOUNCED



Let us learn!

Kids - check out this short, animated illustration of Jesus' baptism.



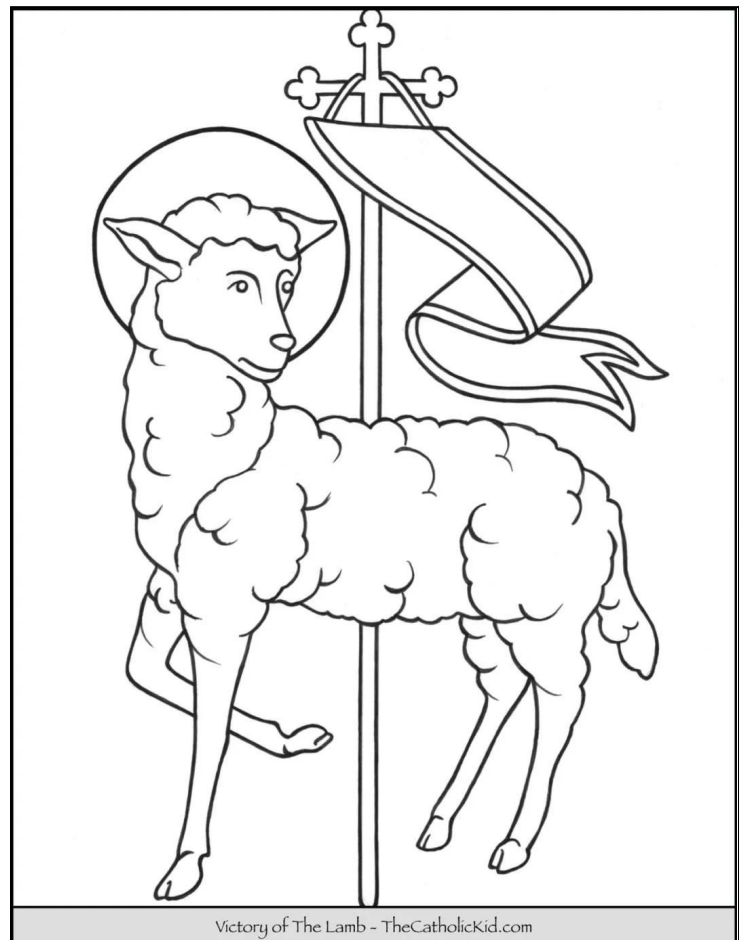
Parents - here is a scholarly analysis of Jesus' baptism and why it held so much meaning for first century Jews.



Victory of the Lamb

Soul of Christ, sanctify me;
Body of Christ, save me;
Blood of Christ, inebriate me;
Water from the side of
Christ, wash me;
Passion of Christ, strengthen me;
O good Jesus hear me;
Within your wounds hide me;
Separated from you, let me never be;
From the evil one protect me;
At the hour of my death, call me;
And close to you bid me;
That with your saints,
I may be praising you
forever and ever.

Amen.



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