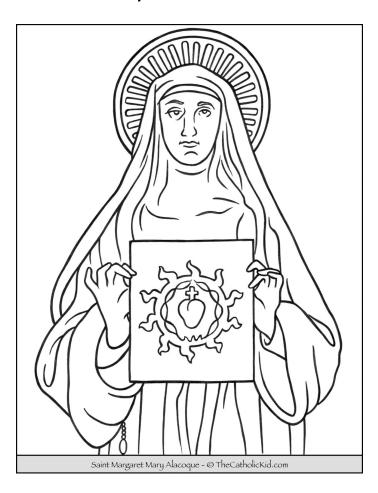


Sunday. October 15. 2023

Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque was a French Visitation nun and mystic who lived in the 1600s. Margaret always had great love for the Blessed Sacrament, even as a young child, and made great sacrifices for the Lord after her first communion when she was 9 years old. She got very sick and was in bed for 4 years. She promised Mary to consecrate herself to religious life and was healed! She added 'Mary' to her baptismal name. She had many visions of Jesus throughout her life and was described as humble, kind, and patient. Jesus appeared to her and instructed her in sharing the devotion to His Sacred Heart. After she was beatified, tomb was her opened and immediately two cures took place and her body was found incorrupt. Her feast day is October 16. Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque, pray for us! (Ref. Catholic.org)

"I need nothing but God, and to lose myself in the heart of Jesus."

- Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque



Gospel: Matthew 22:1-14

FAMILY TIME

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



In this week's Gospel, a king invites people to a wedding feast for his son, but several times, they refuse. This represents those who have refused the invitation to the Kingdom of God. The invitation is then extended to everyone, even though many are undeserving of such an invitation, and this illustrates for us the grace of God, that He should want all people, unworthy though we are, to accept His invitation and join Him in His eternal Kingdom!

FAMILY DISCUSSION: In what ways do we accept or refuse God's invitation? At times, what makes it challenging to accept God's invitation? How can we help each other accept God's invitation? Are there others around us who have not yet accepted the invitation? How can we help those people understand the gift presented to them and awaiting their acceptance?

Psalm 23 "I shall live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life."



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Let us learn...and cook!

Let's learn more about the Sacred Heart of Jesus and even learn how to make Sacred Heart of Jesus pancakes! Check out the video below.



Holy Kids! The Sacred Heart of Jesus

Sacred Heart of Jesus,
I trust in you!



PRAY AND DRAW: Today's Psalm 23 is full of such beautiful imagery. Have a parent or sibling read it aloud for you while you close your eyes and picture what the Lord is showing you. Then open your eyes and draw what you saw in your mind.