



A WEEKLY NEWSLETTER FOR THE KIDS OF ST. AMBROSE

Sunday, August 27, 2023

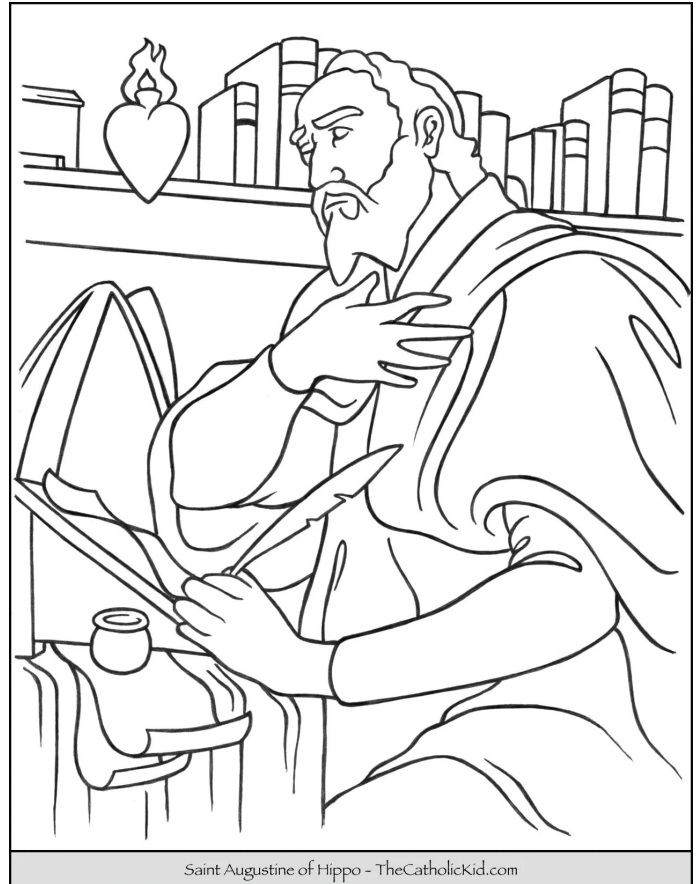
Gospel: Matthew 16:13-20

Saint Augustine was born in 354 in North Africa. He was an inquisitive & intelligent youth but set his sights on wealth & fame rather than spiritual needs. His mother, Saint Monica, never stopped praying for him though. It's her influence he credits with his conversion to Christianity and subsequent baptism at age 33. Following this, he wished to live a monastic life full of prayer, work, & fellowship. He later felt God calling him to be a priest and later was made bishop, despite a desire for a life of contemplation & separation from worldly concerns. Despite all his pastoral duties, he managed to write a prodigious amount: over 200 books and over a thousand letters & sermons. One of his most famous works is called *Confessions*. He is the patron saint of brewers, printers, & theologians. His feast day is August 28. **Saint Augustine, pray for us!**

(Ref. Augustinian.org)

*"Thou hast made us for thyself, O Lord,
and our heart is restless until it finds its
rest in thee."*

- Saint Augustine of Hippo



Saint Augustine of Hippo - TheCatholicKid.com

FAMILY TIME

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



In this week's Gospel, Simon Peter acknowledges Jesus as the Christ and is given the key to the Kingdom of Heaven.

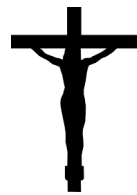
FAMILY CHALLENGE: Today's Gospel reminds us that the Church is built on the foundation of faith in Jesus Christ. Peter announces the core of our faith, that Jesus is God's only Son. The family, as the domestic church, has this same faith as its foundation. As you gather together as a family, talk about people whose faith has helped you to be a member of the Church and talk about what you have learned from leaders in our Church today. Read together today's Gospel, Matthew 16:13-20. Talk about what you know about Peter and his importance to the early Christian community. (Ref. LoyolaPress.com)

Responsorial Psalm, Psalm 138

“Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands.”



LOVE
SING
FORSAKE
FOREVER
HANDS
ANGELS
KINDNESS
ETERNAL
TEMPLE
WORSHIP



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Let us learn...

**Our Faith
Through Song!**



Learn the Catholic Faith through music! “Christine in Action” is the go-to musical resource for all Catholic families and faith formation. Learn and memorize traditional prayers, Sacred Scripture, and the Catechism through Christine’s original songwriting. Here is a song about the Ten Commandments!

(Resource: Formed.org)

Saint Monica

Saint Monica, the mother of Saint Augustine, never gave up on her family. It is through her prayer and devotion that led not only her son but her husband and mother-in-law to the Catholic faith.

Her feast day is today!

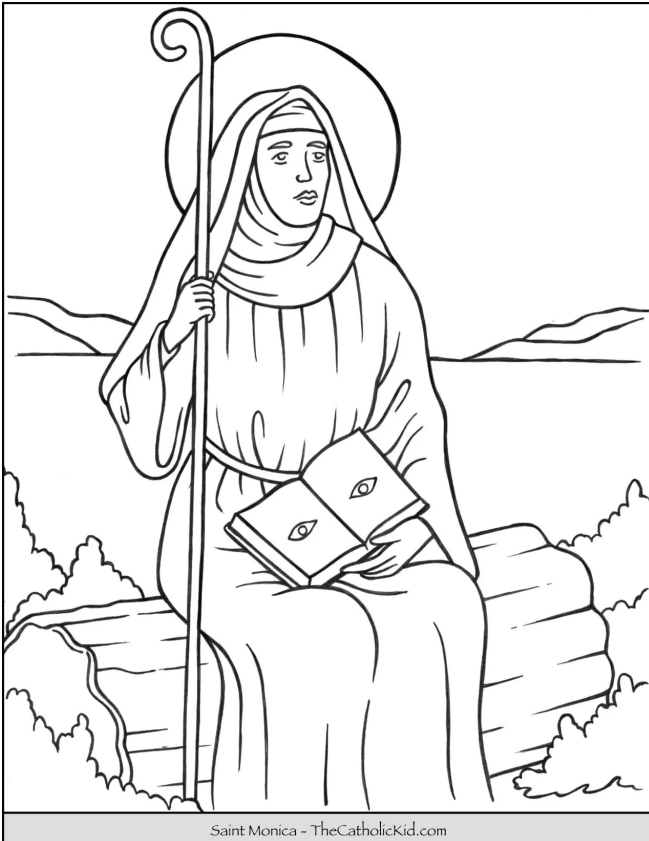
Here is a prayer you can pray to her:

Dear St Monica, troubled wife and mother, many sorrows pierced your heart during your lifetime, yet you never despaired or lost faith. With confidence, persistence, and profound faith, you prayed daily for the conversion of your beloved husband, Patricius, and your beloved son, Augustine; your prayers were answered.

Grant me that same fortitude, patience, and trust in the Lord. Intercede for me, dear St. Monica, that God may favorably hear my plea.

(mention your intention here)

Grant me the grace to accept His Will in all things, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.



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