

## **STRONG CATHOLIC FAMILIES STRONG CATHOLIC YOUTH**

### **WHO WE ARE**

Stories and Scripture is a project of the Engaging Young Families Committee of the Diocese of Youngstown Council for Catechesis. The Council for Catechesis is an advisory group for the Diocesan Director of Religious Education.



### **OUR HISTORY**

Inspired by the Diocese of Youngstown Pastoral Plan 2015, the Council for Catechesis commissioned the Engaging Young Families Committee to address the faith formation needs of young families. The Committee targeted families with children of five years of age or younger by offering a Catholic story time for parents and children.

## **SAINT WILLIAM PARISH**

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*Children's Stories and Sacred Scripture Resources for Parents and Families with Pre-School Children who are three years of age by September 1.*



**Second Sunday of the Month**

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MONTH  
9:00 AM ~ 10:15 AM**

October

**A HOUSE FOR HERMIT CRAB**

*"For wherever you go, I will go,  
where you stay I will stay." Ruth 1:16*

November

**THE BLESSINGS JAR**

*"Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good,  
for his kindness endures forever."  
1 Chronicles 16:34*

December

**THE LEGEND OF THE POINSETTIA**

*"They were overjoyed at seeing the star  
and on entering the house found  
the child with Mary, his mother."  
Matthew 2:10-11*

February

**HAVE YOU FILLED  
YOUR BUCKET TODAY?**

*"Do to others what you would have them do to you." Luke 6:31*

March

**SWIMMY**

*"My help is from the Lord, who made  
Heaven and Earth." Psalm 121:2*

April

**THE EASTER EGG STORY**

*"Praise be to the God and Father of  
our Lord Jesus Christ!" 1 Peter 1:3*

**SIMPLE STORIES HELP TEACH  
SIMPLE LIFE LESSONS**

**(1) LIFE CONNECTIONS**

An opportunity to reflect as adults on how the story relates to your life.

**(2) CATHOLIC CONNECTIONS FOR  
ADULT DISCIPLES**

Each story is a good way to remember how our tradition talks about using our gifts to benefit not just ourselves, but others. This is often referred to as Catholic Social Teaching.

**(3) FAMILY PRACTICES**

Ideas for forming our children in this way of giving and serving are provided with each story.

Reflection and discussion questions are provided for each area so that parents and caregivers may support one another as they grow in their own faith and form children in faith.

Additional resources are available at

<http://storiesandscripture.weebly.com/>

Fee \$ 20.00

**STORY**

**SCRIPTURE**

