

# Family Faith

## 4<sup>th</sup> Grade: Unit 2, Chapter 5

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### **Activity: Live Your Faith**

- **Christian Actions:** Read the passage about the communal life from Acts 2:24-47.
- Directions
  - Talk with your family about ways you could share with others as the early Christians did
  - List your ideas and choose one
  - After doing the action, talk about the experience
  - Discuss how each family member contributed to the good of others

### **Catholics Believe**

- God created people for one another, and all must work for the common good. Such love of neighbor reflects the love of the Holy Trinity
- No one can believe alone, just as no one can live alone

### **Scripture**

Read the Third Letter of John for advice about how a Christian community should receive strangers

### **People of Faith**

**Saint John of God (1495-1550):** Once a soldier and bookseller, John of God gave his life to providing for those who were poor, homeless, or sick in body and mind. He set himself to doing things to help those in need, such as providing them with food and renting a house to give them shelter. This was the beginning of the order of the Brothers of Saint John of God. Saint John's love and care for those in need continues today. The brothers provide hospitality and care for those who are poor. Saint John's feast day is March 8<sup>th</sup>.

### **Family Prayer**

*Saint John, pray for us that we may find the wisdom to see people in need, even when the needs are not obvious. Guide us to be generous in giving gifts, time, and possessions for the good of others. Amen.*

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