

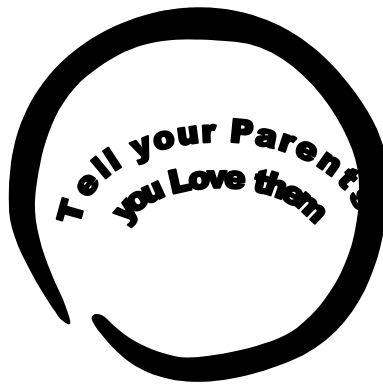
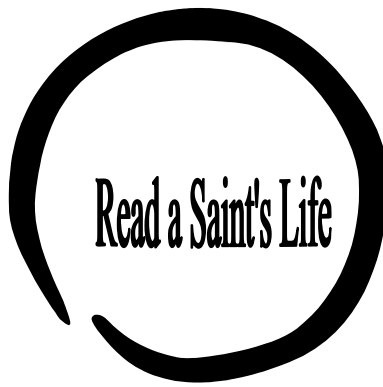
What Can I Give to Jesus?

Let's get ready for Christmas by giving of ourselves! Cut out, color and assemble the container on this page. During Christmas Lent, fill the container with the SHEKELS on the attached pages when you do what is written on each one. They provide a way of "giving of yourself to Christ" – using your TIME and TALENTS and TREASURE to show your love for Him and thanking Him for coming to us as a baby.

DIRECTIONS: (1) Color the line drawing of St. Joseph the Guardian, the Theotokos and Baby Jesus. (2) Fold each side along the dotted lines. (3) With the white square as the bottom of the manger, fold the 4 sides up to make the manger. (4) Tape or glue each folded tab onto the inside of the panel next to it. (5) Cut out the 48 Shekels/Coins and place them in an envelope. (6) Beginning on November 15, the first day of the Nativity Fast, select one Coin each day, do the task written on it, and then place

the Coin in the Manger. (7) On Christmas day, take out the Coins, read what is written on them, and you will see all the good things that you gave to Jesus.

DIRECTIONS TO THE COPIER: (1) Card stock works best. (2) Enlarge so that manger fills the page. (3) Consider copying the Shekels/Coins on grey paper to resemble coins. (4) Each student gets this page plus 4 pages of Shekels/Coins. Staple the 5 pages in the top left corner.



Cut out each SHEKEL and place all 48 in an envelope. A task is written on each SHEKEL. Select one each day of the 40-day Christmas Lent/Advent and do the task. When Christmas comes, you should have 40 SHEKELS in your container representing the Gifts you have given Jesus during Christmas Lent.

FYI: The 30 pieces of silver that Judas received for betraying Jesus were probably SHEKELS.

**Be happy. Don't
complain all day**

**Save you
allowance
for Missions
or Needy**

*Pray for your
grandparents*

**Read the
Bible for
15 minutes**

*Sit quietly & pray
for 10 minutes*

**Be on time for
Sunday Liturgy**

**Say only good
things to others
today**

**Thank God
for as many
things as you
can think of**

**Ask someone
forgiveness**

**Receive
Communion**

**Say the
Jesus Prayer:
Lord Jesus Christ
have mercy on me**

**Read or
Memorize
the Creed**

**Say your Prayers &
Go to bed early tonight**

**Memorize
a Bible Verse**

**Read the life
of a Saint &
share it with
your Sunday
school class**

**Pray for all
the lonely
people**

**Pray before
& after
every meal**

**Pray for the
in the Military**

**Use one of
your talents
for someone**

**Help a
Neighbor**

**Pray for
your
godparents**

**Try to smile
at everyone
today**

**Go to Confession
or say the Lord's
Prayer**

**Pray a
blessing
for an
enemy**

Read the Bible for 15 minutes

Thank your Sunday School Teacher after class

Talk to someone who is alone at lunch

Read the Gospel for Sunday's Liturgy

Pray for Peace in the World

GIVE OUR PRIEST A HUG

Give a gift in secret to someone; maybe something you made

Pray for someone who's sick

Say the Lord's Prayer when you rise from bed

Memorize John 3:16

Attend Liturgy on Christmas Eve or Christmas Day

Do 3 acts of kindness today