

November 5, 2011

## What Your Child Is Learning This Week



*Today your children heard the Story of Zacchaeus from the Gospel of Luke.*

### Helping them Remember.....

Children love the story of Zacchaeus. Zacchaeus was a tax collector who had no friends and was disliked by everyone. He was also very short. Jesus came to his village and in an effort to see, Zacchaeus climbed a Sycamore tree to get a better view. When Jesus reached the spot, He looked up into the branches, addressed Zacchaeus by name, and told him to come down, for He intended to visit his house. The crowd was shocked that Christ would lower himself to be the guest of a tax collector. Afterwards, Zacchaeus changed his life to one of fairness and generosity.

### Growing In Faith Together

The story of Zacchaeus has three themes for young children to grasp:

- 1) Jesus knows our name and knows all about us.
- 2) Jesus wants us to be good and kind to other people.
- 3) Jesus forgives us and wants to help us to do better, just like He forgave Zacchaeus.

The concept of forgiveness is difficult for young children to grasp; nevertheless, we want them to be aware that even though we do wrong, God loves us.

## Next Week *Daniel & the Lions*



November 5	Class
November 13	Class
November 20	Class
November 27	NO CLASS
December 4	Class



### Teachers and assistants needed!

We are looking for helpers for all of our Sunday Morning classes. Please sign up to assist in your child's class numerous times this year. Our teachers especially need help in the Fall when youngsters are just getting to know their teacher and classmates. Your help is so important to our program and it is really fun!

*Substitute teachers are also needed times for when teachers can't attend. We provide all materials. You only need to supply the desire and the energy. The Holy Spirit helps the rest happen.*



St. Maria Goretti Fish Fry  
FRIDAY NOVEMBER 12<sup>TH</sup> 4:30-7PM  
BRING YOUR FAMILY AND ENJOY A GREAT MEAL WITH OTHER SMG PARISH MEMBERS.  
WHAT A NICE WAY FOR YOU AND YOUR CHILDREN TO MEET NEW FRIENDS!



**Questions or concerns?**  
**Please call the Religious Ed office.**  
**Our door is always open to help you in any way we can.**

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