

Chapter 14

The Church Teaches

There are many kinds of gifts, but one Spirit.

1 Corinthians 12:4

For the Parents:

In chapter 14 your child learned to:

- Tell how he or she shares in the life giving work of Jesus
- Apply his or her skills to the Church's ministries
- Describe how the Holy Spirit strengthens him or her to carry out the work of Jesus today.

Is there someone in your parish community that has a profound effect on you? Has there been a clergy member, a deacon, a religious, brother or sister, or teacher, who has made an impact on your spiritual life? Think for a moment about the people who minister in your parish. Has one of them ever done or said anything that you will never forget? Perhaps this person motivated you to become an active member of your community today. His or her words, actions and prayers have helped bring you to this stage in your faith journey. His or her ministry is the Holy Spirit alive in you, in the Church, in the Body of Christ.

With Your Child:

1. Talk about the skills your family members have. Talk about how family members can use those skills to help others.
2. Help one another trace handprints. Cut them out and write ways family members plan to serve one another during the week.
3. Read about Saint John Bosco on the Review and Explore page.