

Chapter 11

*Help Others*

Be kind to one another.

*Ephesians 4:32*

For the Parents:

In chapter 11 your child learned to:

- Name ways that they can help out in their home or school
- Give examples of ways they can be like the Good Samaritan
- Recognize that a neighbor is anyone who needs help

In the Gospel of Luke, Jesus tells the familiar story of the Good Samaritan, who aided a stranger left beaten and robbed by the roadside. The man needed help, and the Samaritan came to his aid. Jesus told this story to make a point that we should treat others with compassion and care; even strangers and people who are different from us. When asked, “who is my neighbor?” Jesus teaches that “neighbor” includes anyone who needs our love, our help, or our kindness (from Luke 29-37).

Church teachings insist that respect for all human persons underlies everything that is done to promote care for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the marginalized, the very young, and the very old. The Church consistently echoes the message of Jesus to “love one another as I have loved you.”

With Your Child:

1. As a family, look around the house for things that need to be done. Decide how everyone in the family will be involved in getting things done.
2. Plan a Good-Neighbor Day. On that day, help someone who is sick or old. Work as a family. You will be known as good neighbors around the neighborhood.
3. Read about Saint Frances of Rome on the Review and Explore page.