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Feast Day of the Church

Today, we celebrate all of the saints in heaven.

Everyone who is in heaven is a saint.

There are many saints whom we know about, but there are many, many more whom we do not know about. All sorts of people are saints: priests and nuns, mothers and fathers, children and grown-ups.

But all the saints have one thing in common: they love God more than anything else. If we learn about the saints, then we also will learn how to love God more than anything else.

The saints are God's friends, and they are our friends too!

They are waiting for us to get to know them, and they are ready to help us when we are in trouble. So if you ask them, the saints will say special prayers to God just for you.

Today, say a prayer to your favorite saint. Maybe it is the saint you are named after. Or maybe it is the saint on whose feast day you were born. Or maybe it is one of the saints you have read about in this book!

Say hello to your favorite saint and ask him or her to show you how to love God more and more every day. That way, when you reach the end of your days and die with the love of God in your heart, you can be a saint in heaven too!

Blessed Virgin Mary, Queen of angels and of the saints, *pray for me.*

Sts. Peter and Paul, *pray for me.*

Sts. Josephine Bakhita and Marcus Chong Ui-Bae, *pray for me.*

Sts. Catherine of Siena and Patrick, *pray for me.*

Sts. Pancras and Gianna Molla, *pray for me.*

Sts. Joan of Arc and Agnes, *pray for me.*

(name your own saint), *pray for me.*