

November

PRAYER:

Act of Faith

VIRTUE OF THE MONTH:

Stewardship: Returning your time, talent, and treasure to God

SAINT OF THE MONTH:



Saint Elizabeth of Hungary, painting by Val Webb

Saint Elizabeth of Hungary
(1207-1231, Hungary)
Feast: November 17

Saint Elizabeth was a queen who had many treasures, but she spent her money to feed the poor people in her kingdom.

DISCUSSION:

How can you share with the poor and others who are in need?

STEWARDSHIP: returning to God the first fruits of your time, talent, and treasure

HOME PROJECT: Due November_____



PRAYER:

Holy Spirit, open our minds and our hearts to God's Word. (Read Genesis 1:27-31.)

Dear God, thank You for filling our world with such beautiful plants and animals! Help us to take care of all You have given us, and to give You the very best. Amen.

VIRTUE ACTIVITY:

1. Discuss the words of the *Grace Before Meals* prayer and the first line of the *Morning Offering*.
2. Practice a concrete example of giving God your first fruits. Ask each student to bring in a few matching pieces of fruit: a bunch of grapes, a bunch of bananas, a small bag of apples or oranges. In class, find the very best one from each set. Put these in a basket and give them to God by giving them to someone in need or someone consecrated to God. Take the rest home.
3. Ask each student to bring in a quarter. Visit church together and put your coins in the poor box.

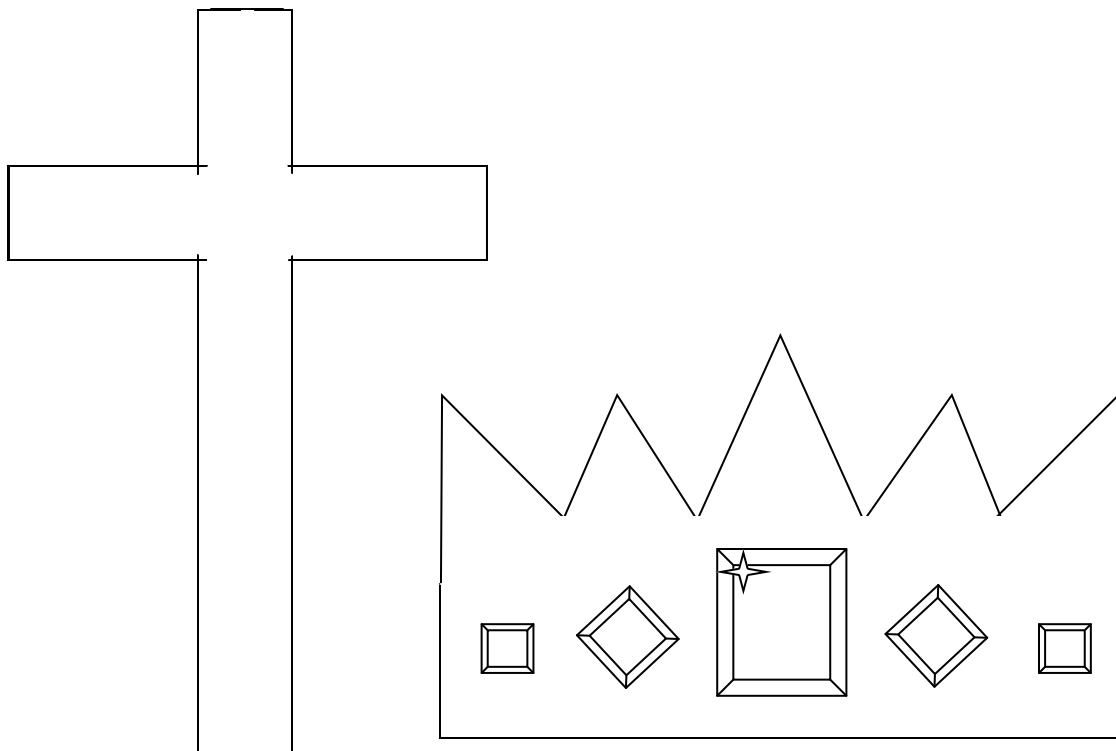
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PRAYER:

Saint Elizabeth of Hungary, you knew that God is the greatest Treasure, and serving Him brings joy. Help us to be good stewards like you. Amen. Saint Elizabeth of Hungary, pray for us.

SAINT ACTIVITY:

One day when Saint Elizabeth was a young princess, she surprised everyone: when she went into church, she took off her crown and laid it in front of Jesus on the cross. Color this cross and crown as a reminder that all our riches come from God.



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PRAYER:

Mother Mary, at the Presentation you offered back to God the most precious gift He gave to you, Jesus. Help us to offer everything to God. (Pray 3 *Hail Marys*.)

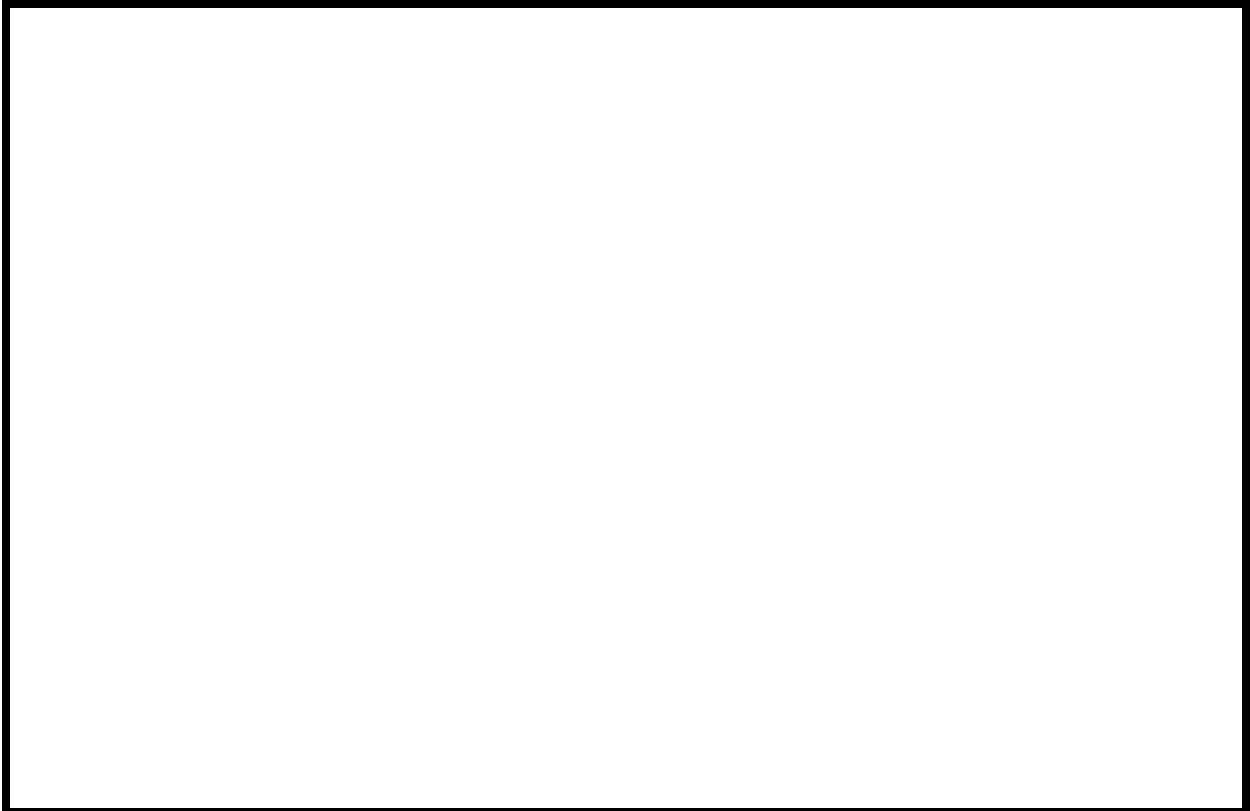
REVIEW:

What is stewardship?

Who is Saint Elizabeth of Hungary?

GROWTH IN STEWARDSHIP:

Draw a picture of your project this month.



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