

Holy Cross Summer Faith Fun 2020
CRAFT:
Stained Mason Jar Candle Holders

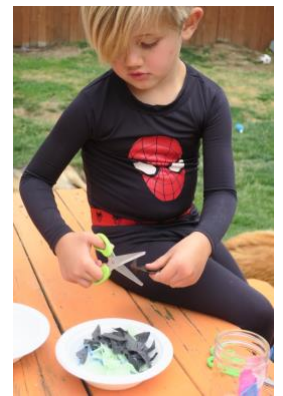
Materials Needed:

- Colorful tissue paper
- Images of Jesus, Mary, and/or the saints
- Glue (either craft glue, school glue, or tacky glue)
- Mason Jars
- Tealight candles (either flame candles or electronic ones)
- Paper plates



Procedure:

1. Cut out small squares/rectangles/shapes from the tissue paper. They should be small enough so that you can use lots of pieces to cover the outside of your Mason jar.
2. You can also add a printed image of Jesus, Mary, or the saints, too!
3. Pour some glue onto the paper plate.
4. Wipe clean the outside of the Mason jar so that the glue will stick.
5. If you are using an image, glue this to the outside of the jar first. Dip the image into the glue so that most of the back is covered in glue.



6. Then, have your children take their colorful slips of paper, dip them into the glue so that most of the back is covered in glue. (You can also use paintbrushes to push the glued paper onto the glass.)

7. Stick each piece, one at a time, to the OUTSIDE of the Mason jar surrounding the image of Jesus, Mary, or the saints. (Do not put any on the inside- the papers could catch fire when you put a tealight inside.)

8. Completely cover the outside of the jar so that there are no uncovered sections.
9. Give the glue a couple of hours to fully dry.

10. Then, take a tealight (small flame candle or an electronic tea light) and put it in the jar. Turn off the lights, stand back and enjoy the beautiful colors on the outside of the jar!



11. Talk about how this reminds us of stained glass windows at church. Look up images of stained glass church windows around the world!
12. (Informational fact: churches began using stained glass windows during times when most people could not read. The images in the windows taught the people Bible stories, saint stories, and lessons about the Eucharist.)

Faith Option:

- Try to cut out a few religious images to put on the outside of the jar:
 - A dove (representing the Holy Spirit)
 - Bread and wine
 - A cross
 - Outline of Jesus

Please share photos from your creations with Andrea so that we can put them on the website!

