



WITNESS

Virtues: Faith and Character Development

**January: Courage
Monthly Calendar of
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TEACHER EQUITY TIP: It takes courage to confront bullying, gossip, blaming and unhealthy competition. In this New Year, focus student attention on how to be more inclusive of differences, play and work cooperatively, and support and take responsibility for each other's well being.

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
Quote of the month: Do not be afraid, I am with you.” Isaiah 41:10	Let your actions be guided by the idea that God is inside everyone.	Know that sometimes doing the right thing is very tough but with courage you CAN do the right thing.	Stand up respectfully when you see something wrong that is being done	Live your life in a way that makes others know you are a follower of Christ.		
1 Happy New Year! Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God	2	3	4	5	6	7
8 Epiphany of Our Lord	9 Prayer Tablecloth is Green (Ordinary Time) Baptism of Our Lord	10 Think about how you can show courage in 2012 by Witnessing your faith	11 WITNESS: Reflect on your Baptism Why did it take courage to be a follower of Jesus? John 20:19-21	12 Eco Connection– Think of a courageous New Year’s resolution to help the environment.	13 Home/School Connection Talk to your parent(s) about what standing up respectfully means to you and them.	14
15	16 Martin Luther King Jr. Day	17 Write about Martin Luther King and others who gave their lives for the freedom of others	18 WITNESS : Prepare a Liturgy about Courage How is the story of the Good Samaritan an example of Courage? Luke 10: 30-35	19 Eco Connection Why does it take courage to be environmentally friendly? Can you think of an example?	20 Home/School Connection Ask your parent(s) how you can be a follower of Christ.	21
22	23 Oral Communication – What jobs do you think require a lot of courage?	24 Does it take courage to walk away from a fight or not have an argument?	25 WITNESS: What happens when we lose courage in God? Matthew 14: 25-33	26 Eco Connection How can the government show courage by standing up for the environment?	27	29
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