



# YEAR OF THE EUCHARIST

## Family Activities: St. Therese of Lisieux and Blessed Louis and Zelig Martin

### PRIMARY

- Discuss St. Therese's image of being a "Little Flower." (Therese saw the seasons as reflecting the seasons of God's love for us. She loved flowers and saw herself as the "little flower of Jesus," who gave glory to God by just being her beautiful little self among all the other flowers in God's garden.)
- Talk about God's love for us and the gifts He has given us.
- Have each child identify one thing about themselves that they think pleases God.
- Give each child a little flower to remind them to pray that evening and thank God for His love.

### ALL LEVELS

Read out loud St. Therese's story of her first communion (found in chapter IV of her "Story of a Soul" or at

[http://www.crossroadsinitiative.com/library\\_article/750/My\\_First\\_Communion\\_St.\\_Therese.html](http://www.crossroadsinitiative.com/library_article/750/My_First_Communion_St._Therese.html)

Discuss what jumps out at you from her account.

Have each member of the family tell what they remember about their first communion.

watch together the film *Therese: The Story of St. Therese of Lisieux*.

<http://www.theresemovie.com/>

Activity guide at

<http://www.catechistsonline.com/Therese%20Discussion%20and%20Activity%20Guide.pdf>