



the Parish of St. Dunstan

A CHILDREN'S CATECHISM TO ECHO GOD'S LOVE IN THE WORLD

PART II: Our Church

Lesson 28: Vocation

This is the prayer we use to begin our church service:

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

I wonder what **your job** in the church is.

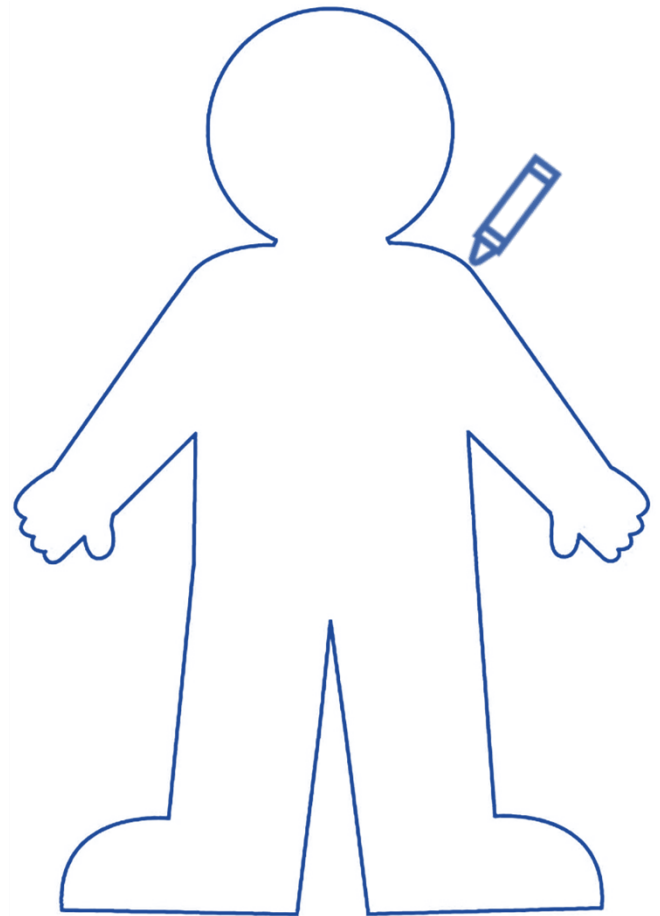
Everyone has a place in God's Great Family. Everyone has a job. We all work together for the good of everyone. *Acts 4:32-35*

Think of your body. Each part of it is important to keep the whole body active and healthy. Every part of your body is equally important even though different parts of the body do different things.

God's family is like a body. *1 Corinthians 12:12*

Everyone in God's Great Family has a different job but are all equally valuable to one another.

Some people are like **eyes**. They see others in need.
Some people are like **mouths**. They encourage others.
Some people are like **ears**. They listen to others.
Some people are like **arms**. They welcome others.
Some people are like **hands**. They help others.
Some people are like **legs**. They lift others up.
Some people are like **feet**. They visit others.



I wonder what **part of the body** you are like.

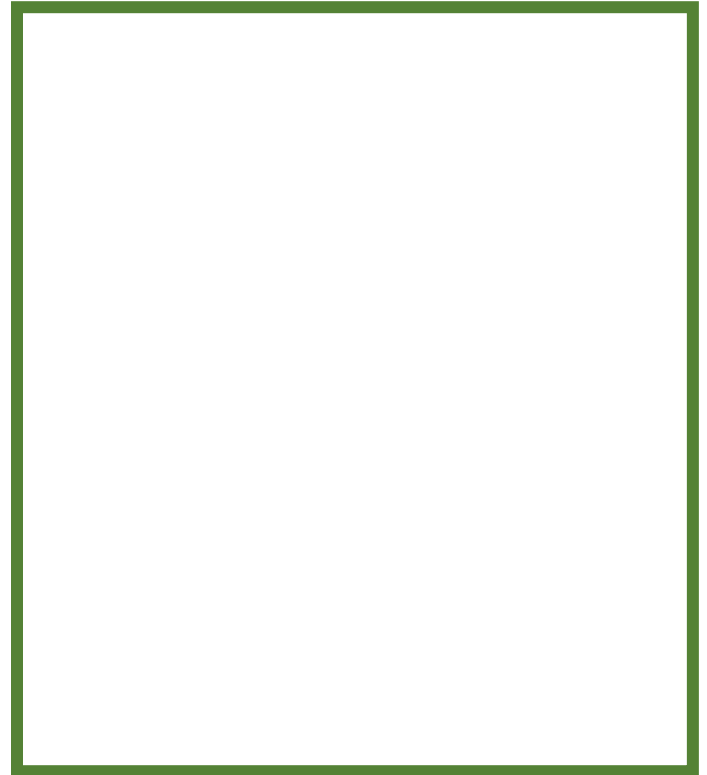
1 Our life-long job is to serve and work with God

We are God's **servants**, working together with God. We are God's **garden**, growing the good things of God. We are God's **building** containing the life and love of God.

1 Corinthians 3:9

God works to heal this world; we get to work with God. God plants good things in the world, we get to tend the garden and grow good fruit. God builds us up like a building. We get to welcome everyone in it.

Activity: I wonder what you like being the best. Being God's servant? Being God's garden? Being God's building? Draw a picture of God's garden or God's building.



2 Our life-long job is to serve and work with others

God has made us free. But not so we can do whatever we want. We are free to love and **serve one another** as God's Great Family.
Galatians 5:13

The world is full of possibility to help others. You have a special ability to help others. Maybe you can make people laugh. Maybe you can help people feel included. Maybe you are a good listener. Maybe you are a good friend.

I am really good at:

Activity: Plan on helping one person each day for a whole week. Maybe you can help a parent clean something. Maybe you can help a friend with a project. Maybe you can help a stranger by giving food to a food bank.

