

# Campaign Overview

## 4. Saints Among Us

**Issue:** Inaccessible Education

**Values:** Faith, Respect

**Timing:** Leading up to All Saints Day, November 1

### Components:

1. Personal Development Activity → to look for the good in others and do likewise.
2. Fundraising → to help with the essentials of a specific school in need.

### How It Works:

1. Teacher introduces Chalice in Schools, shows the Chalice: All about Connections video, and explains the activities for Saints Among Us .
2. Teacher provides each student with a Chalice brochure and a letter to parents to encourage their participation.
3. Chalice will match your class with a class in a school in need, overseas. This will be your sister class. Concurrently, both classes will do the following activity.
4. Half the class conducts interviews with people in their community finding examples of selfless service and generosity. The other half prepares short reports on contemporary people and saints illustrating their virtuous works. This activity focuses on the good in ordinary people and how they are considered *saints among us*. The lesson is that people around the world, no matter their circumstances, can be generous in their good works of service to others and are, in fact, present day saints.
5. At the end of the fundraising period, the sister classes connect via an organized skype session to connect and share the inspiring stories about the “saints” in their respective community.
3. Based on the inspiration given by the saints discovered, together, with teacher approval, students will create their own fundraising activities. The class goal is to raise at least \$1,000 to cover a specific need of your sister class.
4. School sends a cheque to Chalice equivalent to the total collection. Chalice applies this donation to the special needs of your specific sister class and school.

### Teaching Resources:



Letters to Parents

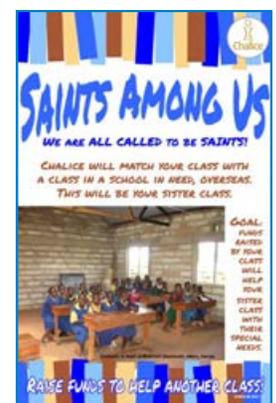
Activity Sheets on USB:  
•Saint of the Week



First Hand Stories



Skype Q & A



Promotional Posters for the Classroom

# Leading up to All Saints Day on Nov. 1<sup>st</sup>

## We are All Called to be Saints

We are all called to be blessed. Pope Francis suggested a list of modern Beatitudes to inspire Christians today:

Blessed are those who look into the eyes of the abandoned and marginalized, and show them their closeness.

Blessed are those who see God in every person, and strive to make others also discover him.

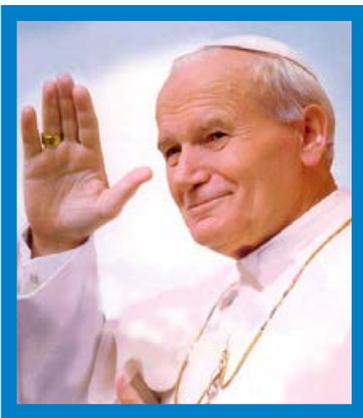
Blessed are those who protect and care for our common home.

Blessed are those who renounce their own comfort in order to help others.

Blessed are those who pray and work for full communion between Christians.

The saints spur us on by their lives. You are invited to accept this **call to action** with joy.

Excerpts from Pope Francis' Homily, Solemnity of All Saints, November 1, 2016



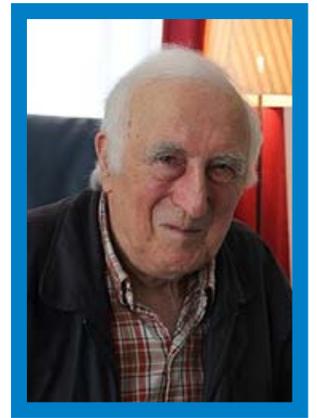
Saint Pope John Paul II



Bl. Chiara Badano



Saint Mother Teresa



Jean Vanier

The title, Saint, is not only for those who have been canonized by the church, but also for those holy people and youth, who may not yet be officially recognized as such.

At some point in their life, whether they lived years ago or are alive today, each saint realized that God was calling them to be faithful in a particular way. It is their generous “yes” to God’s calling that makes them holy. These are examples of modern day saints.

**Funds raised will help your sister class with their pedagogical needs (e.g. desks/chairs, education materials).**