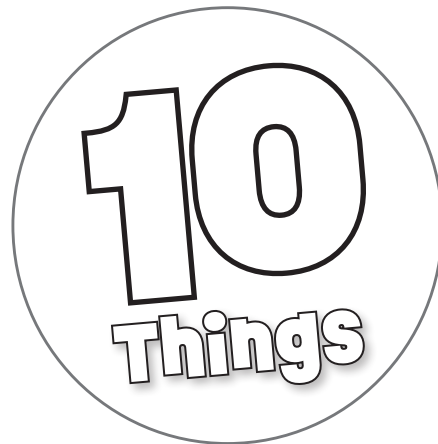




for Kids to Know About POPE LEO XIV



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Dear Parents and Guardians,

On May 8, 2025, Cardinal Robert Francis Prevost became the first pope from the United States. The 267th pope took the name Leo XIV.

Americans are excited to keep learning details about his life and are hopeful for the future of the Catholic Church. What do we know about Pope Leo XIV?

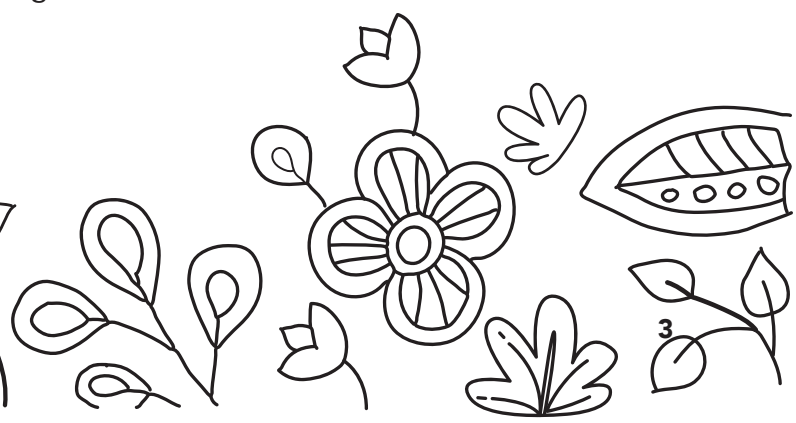
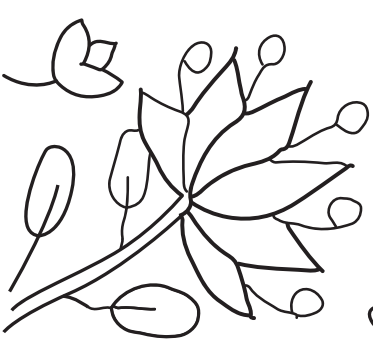
- His deep relationship with God and desire to live the gospel
- His American roots and knowledge of American history and culture
- His leadership roles in the Vatican and the Order of St. Augustine
- His missionary experience in Peru and compassion for the poor
- His academic background, including a doctorate in canon law

What should your child know about Pope Leo? You will find the answer to that question on the pages of this booklet, *10 Things for Kids to Know About Pope Leo XIV*.

The pages on the left side of this booklet tell a short story about Pope Leo's life, beginning with his birth in Chicago, Illinois, and concluding with his election as pope and introduction on the balcony of Saint Peter's Basilica. Children will discover facts about his family, his education, life as an Augustinian, his missionary work, and so much more!

Each activity page reinforces a key theme from the story page.

It is a fun way to help your child remember facts about Pope Leo's life. After you have finished all the activity pages, you can read his story over and over again!



1. His heart is full of love for God and for all people.

This is a story about a very kind and holy man.

His name is

Pope Leo XIV.

The pope is the leader of the Catholic Church.

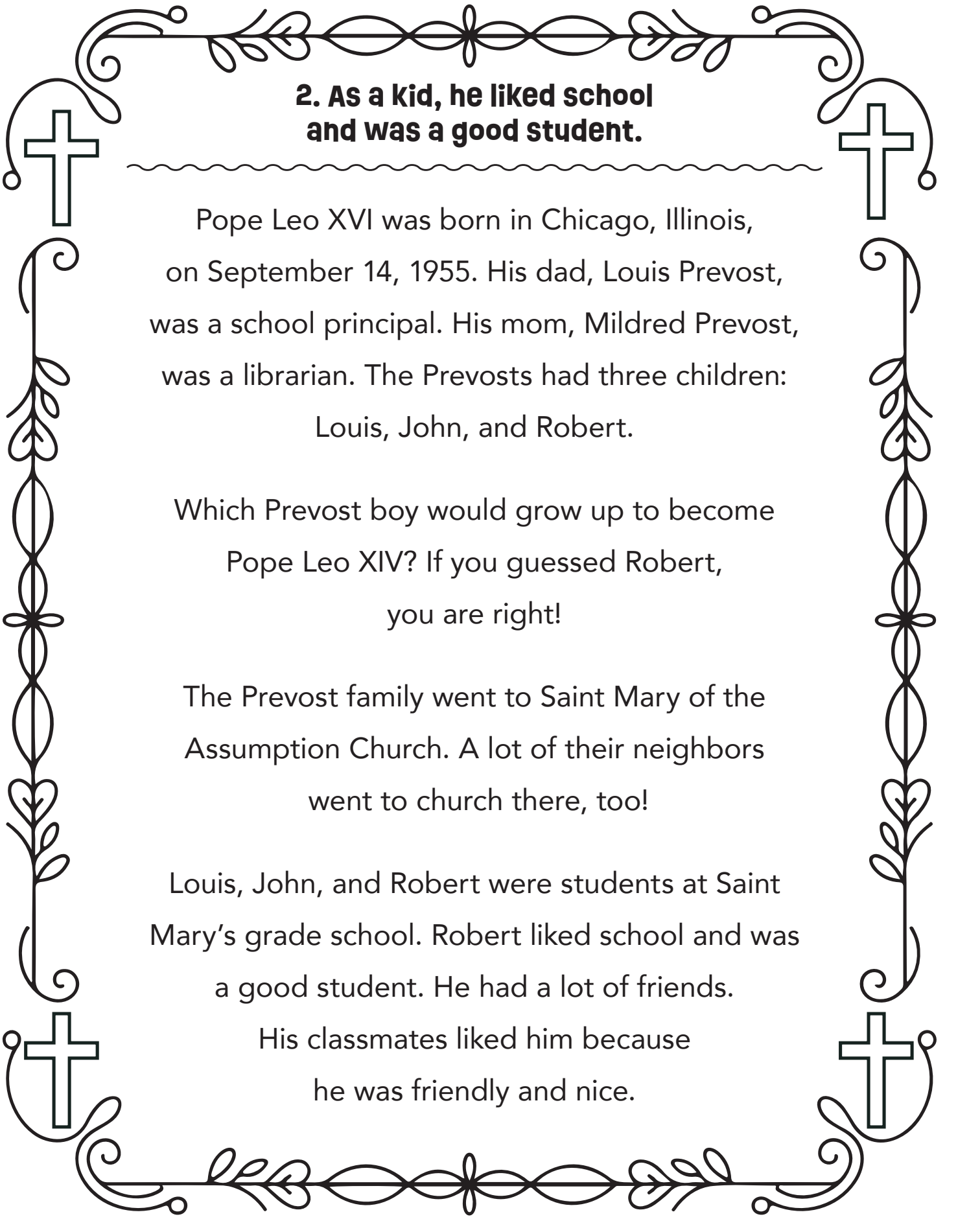
He teaches about the Catholic faith.

The pope celebrates Mass, prays for people,
writes letters, gives speeches, and meets with
leaders from around the world.

Pope Leo XIV's heart is full of love for God
and for all the people in the world.

He wants everyone to respect each other
and to live in peace.

Let's find out more about Pope Leo XIV!
What was he like before he became pope?



2. As a kid, he liked school and was a good student.

Pope Leo XVI was born in Chicago, Illinois,
on September 14, 1955. His dad, Louis Prevost,
was a school principal. His mom, Mildred Prevost,
was a librarian. The Prevosts had three children:

Louis, John, and Robert.

Which Prevost boy would grow up to become
Pope Leo XIV? If you guessed Robert,
you are right!

The Prevost family went to Saint Mary of the
Assumption Church. A lot of their neighbors
went to church there, too!

Louis, John, and Robert were students at Saint
Mary's grade school. Robert liked school and was
a good student. He had a lot of friends.

His classmates liked him because
he was friendly and nice.



Saint Augustine