

# THE CHILDREN'S CORNER

"Let the children come to me, do not hinder them," (Mk 10:14)

## To Be A Saint!

Some years ago, before you were even in a twinkle in your mom's eye, I was busy taking care of my family, just like your mom lovingly takes care of yours. It was while I doing my chores that I was inspired to make up little songs and sing them for Jesus as I worked. I always loved to sing. So much that sometimes I was even picked to sing a solo in school plays. But I have to admit something sad: I don't remember ever saying to Jesus when I was in school, "Thank You for my gift of music, Jesus! I want to offer my gift of music back to You because I love You!" I didn't understand when I was a kid that when we offer our gifts and talents back to Jesus, He will gladly accept our gifts and *help us use them in the very best ways for His glory!* As a young adult, I began to understand how important it is to offer our gifts, actually our entire life, to God. I realized this by thinking about our Blessed Mother and her example of doing this perfectly. Now one day while I was doing my chores, I was thinking about the lives of the Saints. I was then inspired to make up a little song called: "To Be A Saint!" And because I was now offering my music - all my gifts and talents - to Jesus with love, He opened up all kinds of opportunities for this song (and many others) to be shared far and wide! Boys and girls, when you offer God all *your* gifts and talents for His glory with love, you will be amazed at what He does! And this is one of the most wonderful things we can see when we study the lives of the Saints. The Saints were *always* offering their talents and everything that they had to Jesus with love for His glory! We'll continue to learn about more Saints in the weeks to come. And who knows? I wouldn't be a bit surprised if someday children who are not yet born come to know, love and follow Jesus after learning the wonderful story of *your* life because you gave all your gifts and talents with love back to Jesus!

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## "TO BE A SAINT!" SONG

*Like an athlete training for the victory;  
To win the crown for all eternity;  
The Saints before us found the key,  
With Christ's three words: "Come follow Me."*

***REFRAIN: My only desire TO BE A SAINT!  
I'll only aspire TO BE A SAINT!  
Never too tired TO BE A SAINT!  
Just reach one step higher and be a Saint!***

*Now the Saints of the past are in Heaven up high; They're  
my Heavenly family yet they're really close by; Cheering  
me on as the victory draws nigh;  
To see Jesus, my Hero, on the day that I die! (Refrain)*

*Dear Brothers and Sisters won't you pray for me?  
Your stories have inspired and helped me see:  
By the grace of God I'll be home free,  
To sing His praise with you for all eternity! (Refrain)*