



# (Continued) Shine Like Stars... Wherever You Are!

## Project with a Purpose Adaptations

**D**uring the virtual track for those with intellectual and developmental challenges, three alternatives for the Project with a Purpose will be offered. These art projects will be shared with the adult care facilities across the diocese noted above. Join us by creating something beautiful to share with one another as we share the light of Christ!

• Shine Like the Stars Cards: die cut stars, stamps, washi tape. Directions:

Cut out stars into notecards, then decorate with stamps and washi tape to create beautiful stationary cards.

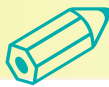
• Tea Light Votive: jam jar, star washi tape, votive candle

Directions: Decorate some old glass jam jars with washi tape and then pop in some tealight candles. At night, they light up and remind us to continually shine like stars in the world!

• Painting: Watercolor & Oil Pastel Night Sky  
Directions: Using star and circle stencils, paint the night sky!



## Picture CONTEST!



**C**hildren ages 5-8 are encouraged to submit a picture with the following prompt: "My Church Community Shines Like Stars." You may use any art medium. Scan and submit to [cf@richmonddiocese.org](mailto:cf@richmonddiocese.org) or mail to : Office of Christian Formation/7800 Carousel

Ln/Richmond, VA 23294. Please include the child's name, age and parish, and the phone/email of the parent. Top 3 winners will receive a special prize and have their photo published in The Catholic Virginian as well as the Catholic Diocese of Richmond's webpage.

# "My Church Community Shines Like Stars"

Signature:

## Sign Language and the Diocese of Richmond – Almost the same age!

**W**e will be using sign language throughout our time together during the virtual children's track and adult/children's track for those with developmental and intellectual challenges on Saturday, November 7. Here's some facts:

• How old is ASL?

203 years old, just 3 years older than our Diocese of Richmond!

• How does the Church teach deaf children to pray?

"Deaf people have deep experiences of prayer, particularly because it involves praying with "their whole body" with

signing and visualization. Some people say they pray visually with beautiful imagery or with seeing hands signing in their head. Sr. Kathleen Schipani, IHM sought to combine ASL with prayer using the app, "Religious Signs for Families" dedicated to religious terms, daily devotions or prayers of blessing, love, thanks, and praise. Available at the *iTunes App Store and Google Play* for \$2.99.

To learn how to sign "Shine Like Stars" before November 7, please go to the Office of Christian Formation Website to watch a video of Sandra Hall teaching you how to sign this phrase.



"I Love You."

