



Shine Like Stars...Wherever You Are!



Word SEARCH:

How's your Bicentennial vocabulary? See if you can spot these words in our "Hidden Stars" Word Search! Good luck!

Word Bank (Words may appear in any direction!):



- Bicentennial
- Eucharistic Congress
- Bishop Knestout
- Two Hundred
- Church
- Diocese
- Richmond
- Shine
- Stars
- Community
- Mission
- Mass

W O R D S E A R C H

M P G U L T N H K I O D E O X H F X D L
 E M E G B L U C A I J T L M A O U E I A
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 N L Z U R S I H C R U H C P T C O X H P
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Reflection Essay: Share the Light of Your Wisdom

3rd-5th graders are encouraged to submit an essay with the following prompt:

Listen to St. Paul tell us: "Shine like stars in the world, as you hold fast to the word of life" (Phil. 2:15-16). This is our motto to help us as a church to celebrate 200 years keeping close to Jesus as we shine our love to others.

Tell us your story of SHINING LIKE STARS...An experience of

bringing happiness, joy and love to your church community and the Diocese of Richmond.

Respond with no more than one 8 1/2 x 11 page. Submit to cf@richmonddiocese.org or mail to Office of Christian Formation/7800 Carousel Ln. Please include the child's name, age and parish, as well as parent phone and email. The top three entries will win a prize and be published in The Catholic Virginian, as well as on the Catholic Diocese of Richmond webpage.

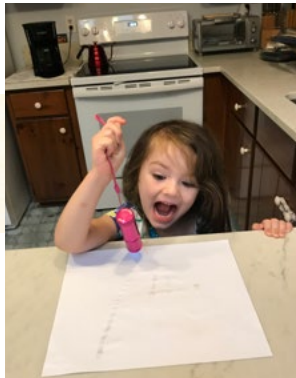
Show Us How You #SHINELIKESTARS

How do we shine like stars? Here's a fun family activity to help us reflect God to others! Using invisible ink, have each family member write or draw messages on star cut-outs. Then, have an adult take a flashlight or lightbulb to heat the ink and learn what your family members had to say!

To make invisible ink:

What you'll need:

- Half a lemon or lemon juice
- Water
- Spoon
- Bowl
- Cotton ball
- White paper
- Light Bulb/Lamp/flashlight (something that emits heat)



Instructions:

1. Squeeze some lemon juice into the bowl and add a few drops of water.
2. Mix the water and lemon juice with the spoon.
3. Dip the cotton bud into the mixture and write a message onto the white paper.
4. Wait for the juice to dry so it becomes completely invisible.
5. When you are ready to read your secret message or show it to someone else, heat the paper by having an adult hold it close to a light bulb or flashlight.



Trace this star to make as many as you need for your family!

On your star, you can:

1. Draw an image that reminds you of God
2. Write a word or phrase that reminds you of God
3. Write a word or phrase that encourages others to shine

After an adult heats the messages, share with your family what you drew/wrote and explain why. When we shine like stars, we spread God's love throughout our community!

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