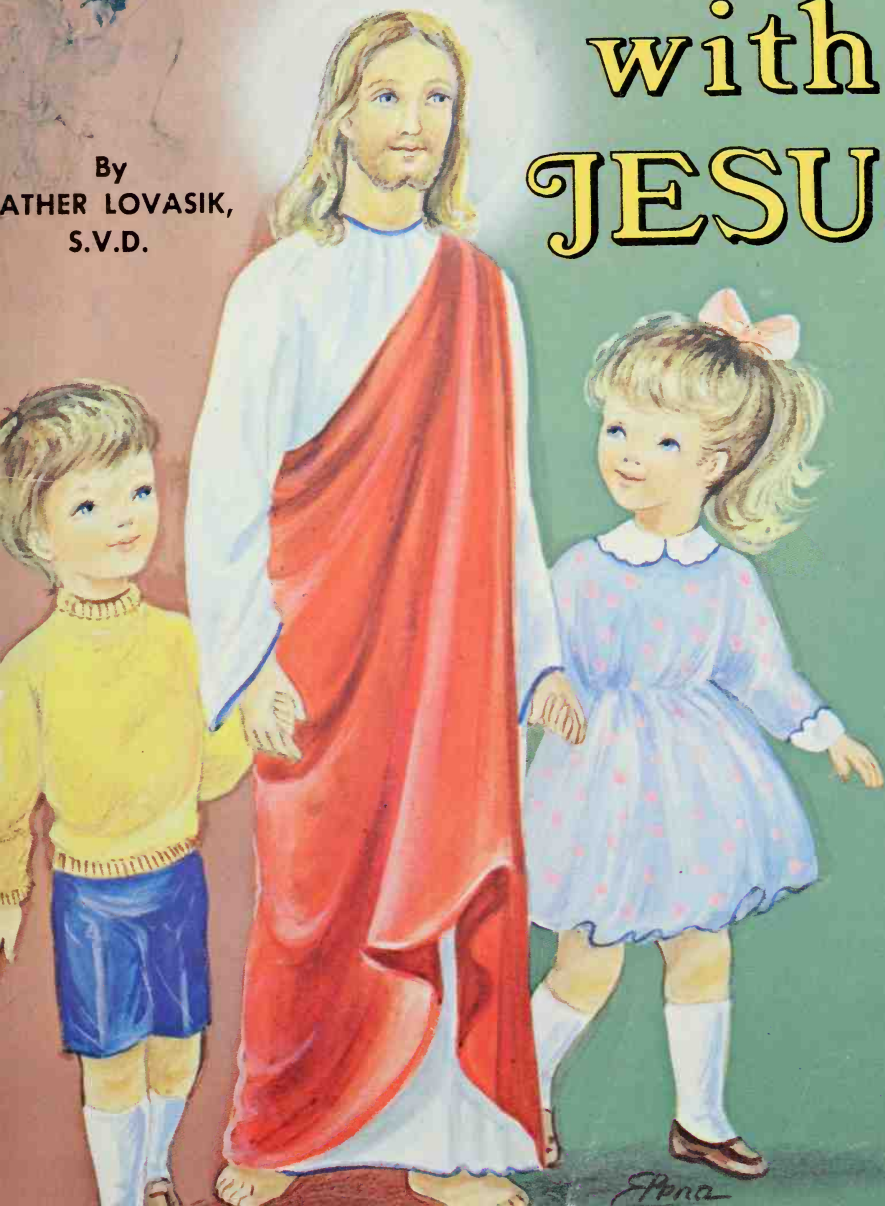


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I wake up and pray to Jesus

JESUS, I thank You for each new day.
I offer myself to You
and all the things I shall do—
my work, my study, my play.

I thank You for the many good things
You give me
and for all the kind people
who take care of me.

Bless me as I begin this day.
Be with me at home,
at school, and at play.
May all I do honor You.

May Your dear Mother Mary
and my Guardian Angel
protect and help me.

I believe in You.
I hope in You.
I love You,
Jesus, my Friend and my God!

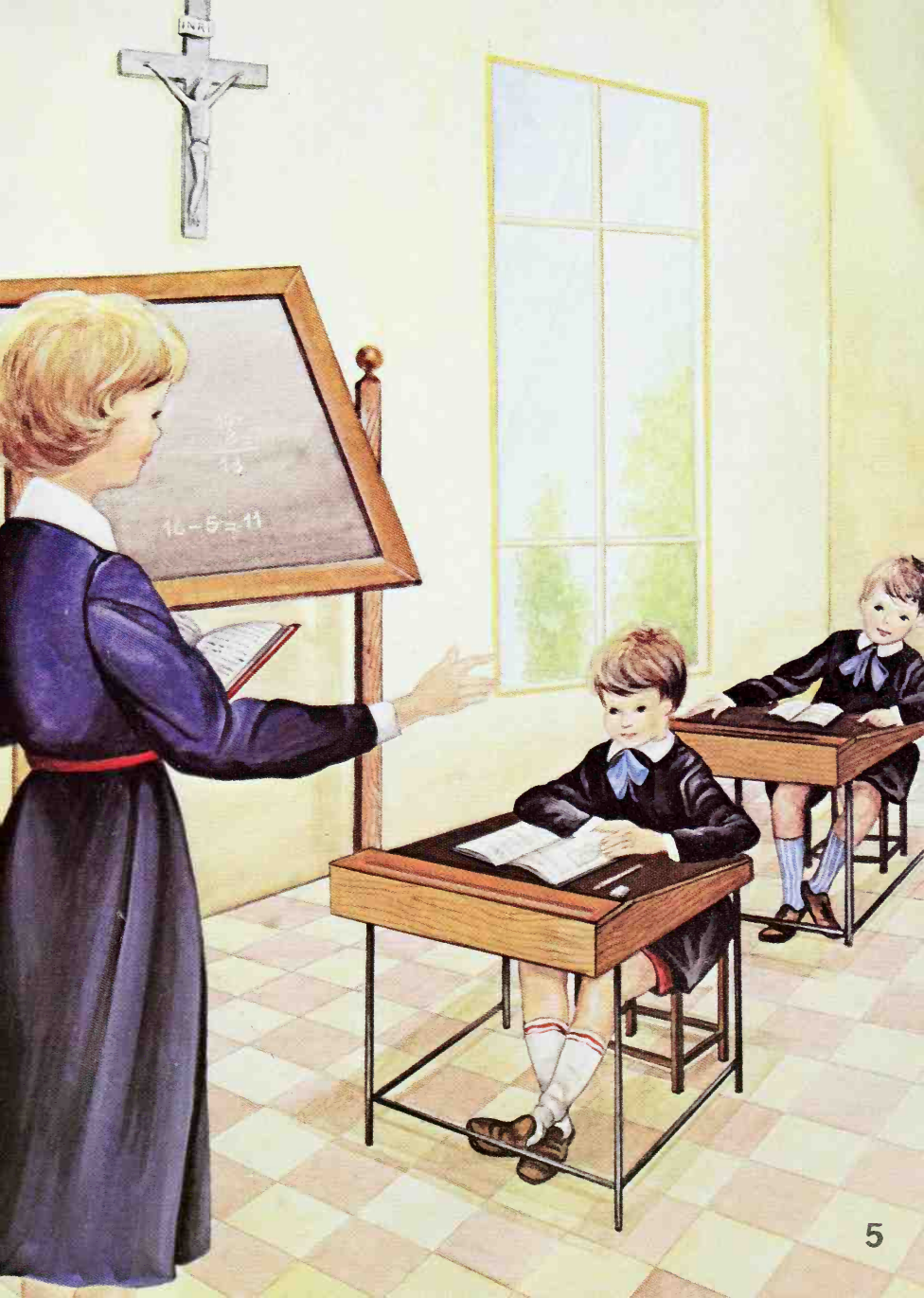
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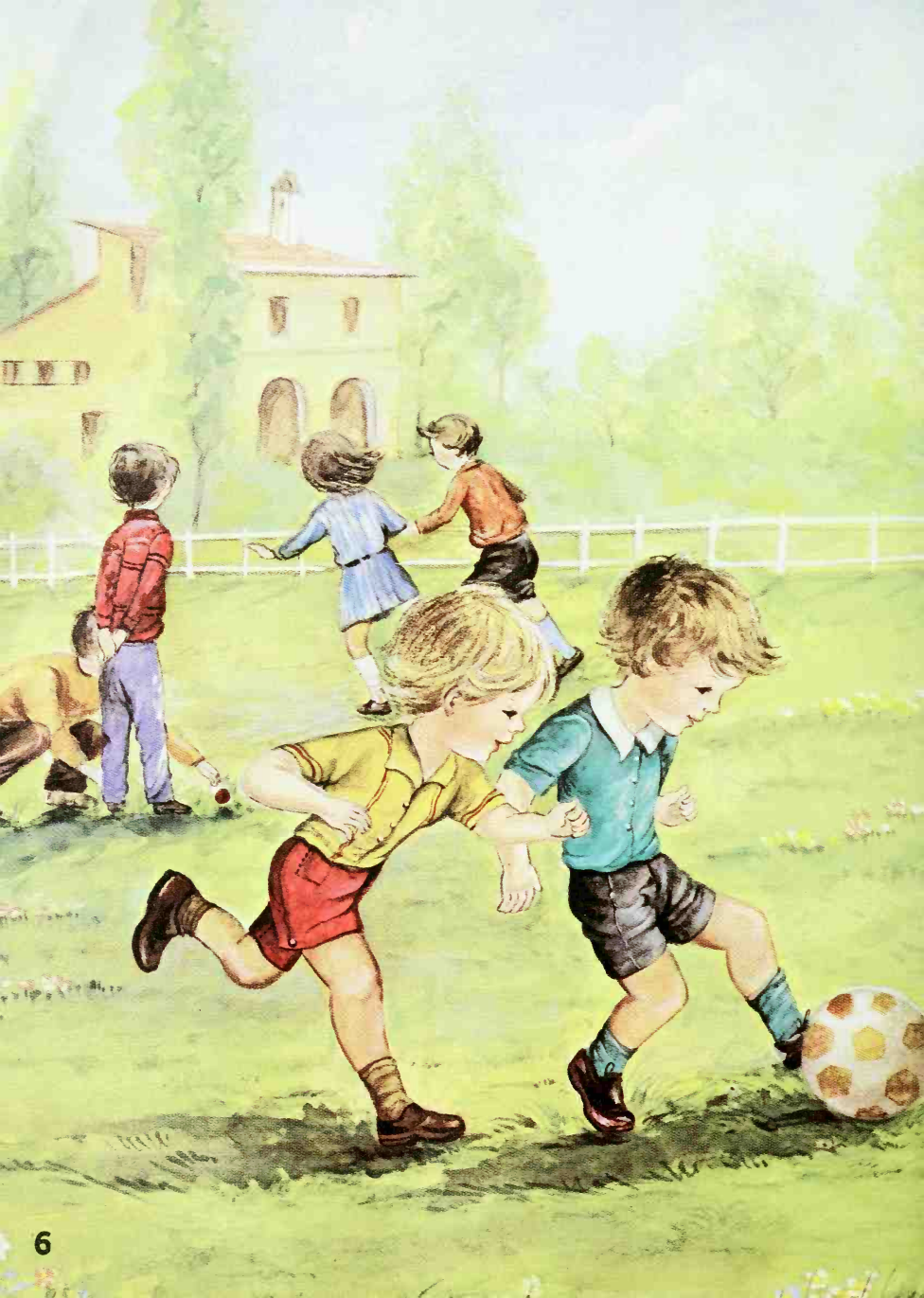
JESUS, I want to think of You
while I am at school
and say a little prayer to ask for Your help.
I thank You for the many things I learn.
Bless my teachers and my classmates.

But I want You to be my Teacher in my religion
Give light to my mind
that I may understand Your truths.
Help me to keep Your commandments
and often receive Your Sacraments.
I want to pray to You many times each day.

Teach me the most important lesson
that I am in this world to know about God,
to love God, to serve God,
and to come to heaven after I die.

For love of You
I want to study my lessons in religion well
that I may save my soul.





I play with the Schoolmates Jesus gave me

JESUS, You were once a child like me.
I know that You were very kind
to the children You played with.
Please make me like You.

Let me be kind to everyone,
and never be angry or mean or selfish.
Never let me hurt anyone.
Make me always ready to help.

You want me to play
that my body may be strong and healthy.
Then I can serve You and others better.

Bless my playmates
and make us happy in the games we play.
Never let us do anything
that would displease You.
Be my best Friend
and make me a good person.
Then I shall be very happy
and have peace in my heart.

I eat food that comes from Jesus

JESUS, I thank You for the food and drink
You give me each day.

So many children in the world are hungry.
Give them the food they need to keep them alive.
Before each meal let me ask Your blessing,
and after each meal let me thank You
for what You have given me.

May my food and drink keep me well
that I may be able to study, work and play,
but, most of all,
that I may be able to pray
and serve You in my daily actions.

I ask You to bless my father and mother,
who work so hard
to give me good food and beautiful clothes.
Their love for me reminds me
of how much You love me.
I want to love You with all my heart.



I go out to play with things that Jesus gave me

JESUS, I thank You for each new day.
I thank You for the warm sunshine,
for the grass and trees and beautiful flowers.

I thank You for the birds and animals
and all the living things that give me joy.

I thank You for the beautiful things in nature
that You give me
in the Spring, Summer, Autumn and Winter.

I thank You for my playmates
and for my toys and the many things
You gave me to make me happy.

Thank You for all your gifts
that remind me of how much You love me.
Make me Your obedient child
that I may please my Heavenly Father
as You always did when You were a child.





Grandmother tells me about Jesus

JESUS, I thank You
for my grandmother and my grandfather.
Bless them for all the kind things
they do for me.

They remind me of the care
my Heavenly Father has for me
and of the love He always shows me.

Help me to obey my grandparents
and listen carefully to all they have to tell me
because I know they want me to be happy.

They want me to love You
and to obey my parents for the love of You,
and to be kind to everyone in our family.

I ask You to give good health
to my grandparents.

Reward them for all they do for me
and for my parents and for our family.

When they die, take them to heaven
that they may be happy with You forever.



Television shows me many beautiful things

JESUS, I thank You for the many things
You give me each day to make me happy.

The radio brings me the music I like.
Television lets me see beautiful things
which You have made in the world.
Let me learn from the good things
I see and hear.
But keep me from watching
whatever may harm my soul.

Teach me how to enjoy Your many gifts
and use them to help me
love You more and serve You better.

May my greatest joy be in You,
my best Friend.

When I study or work or play,
it is all for You.

My whole life belongs to You
because You made me
and everything good in my life comes from You.

I play with my brother or sister that Jesus gave me

JESUS, I thank You for the brothers and sisters
You gave me to share with me
the joy of my family.

I want to love them and be kind to them,
and make them happy.

Keep me from fighting with them,
because we are all children
of our Heavenly Father, Who loves us all.

Help us to love our mother and father,
and obey them when they tell us what to do.

I thank You for giving me a good family.
Keep us close to You
that we may love each other more.

Help us to keep Your commandments
and to pray often.

May we always be together
in our Holy Mass and Communion each Sunday.





I listen to the Priest who takes the place of Jesus

JESUS, I thank You for the priest
whom You have given us
to teach us all about You.

I know that the priest takes Your place
in helping us to know, love, and serve God.

He offers You to Your Father in Holy Mass,
and gives us Your Body and Blood
in Holy Communion.

He takes away our sins
in the sacrament of Penance
and prays for us when we are sick.
He made us children of God in Baptism.

I thank You for all these blessings
You have given our family.

Bless our priest
and all the people of our parish.
Help us to be good Catholics
and someday praise You in heaven.

I visit the store that has toys that come from Jesus

JESUS, I thank You for the toys
that my parents and friends buy for me.
They are your gifts to me.
When You were a Child,
I am sure that You also had toys
which Your Mother Mary
and Saint Joseph gave You.
Bless my mother and father
and all my playmates.

When I see toys in stores,
let me remember that many children
in the world are poor
and do not have toys to play with.
Please help these children.

Help me to thank my parents
for the nice things they buy for me
by praying for them.
All they want is that I love them
and try hard to be very good.





I visit the friends that Jesus has sent me

JESUS, You love children.
When their mothers brought them,
You laid Your hands on them in prayer
and blessed them.
You said, "Let the children come to Me.
The Kingdom of God belongs to such as these."

You were once a Child like me
and had friends to play with You.
Bless me and all the friends You gave me.
Help us to be kind to each other
as You always were.

When I work or study or play with my friends,
may I always be good to them.

Keep us from all that is bad
that we may all be Your friends.
Give us Your grace
through prayer and Holy Communion
that our souls may be beautiful
and pleasing to our Heavenly Father.



Jesus gave me my family

JESUS, I thank You
for the good mother and father
You gave me.

They take the place of God on earth.
In the fourth Commandment of God
You teach me to love and honor my parents
and tell me that if I do,
God will be very good to me during my life.
Please help me to keep that commandment
to show that I really love You.

I thank You for my family,
for my home, for my food and clothes
and all the good things I receive in my home.

May Your peace and love stay in our home
such as You had in Your little home in Nazareth.
It was a happy home
because God was there.

Help us to love You and Mary and Joseph.
Help our family always to live
a good Catholic life.

I play with the animals that Jesus made

JESUS, I thank You for the many things
You give me that make my life happy.

You make the little animals
to be my companions.

They remind me of how much You care for me.
I want to be kind to my pets and to all animals
because You made them to give You glory.

The many different kinds of animals
remind me of your wisdom and power,
because you are their Creator.

I praise Your goodness
in giving us so many wonderful things
that make this earth beautiful.

I love You and thank You for all the things
You have created
to make my life on earth happy.

But my greatest happiness
can be found only in You,
my dearest Friend and my God.



I pray to Jesus before going to bed

JESUS, I thank You
for being so kind to me this day.
Bless those who were good to me.

I am sorry for anything I have done this day
to displease You.

Give me Your grace
to try hard never to offend You,
for You are my best Friend.

I offer You my rest
and put myself in Your loving care.
Send Your angels to watch over me.

I ask Your blessed Mother Mary
to pray for me.
I offer my whole life to her loving care.
With her help I hope to lead a good life.

I pray for my mother and father,
my brothers and sisters.
May we all be with You in heaven someday.





Jesus loves me

JESUS, You are my true Friend.
You became a Child like me
to teach me how I must live
to be pleasing to my Heavenly Father.
You gave Your life for me on the Cross
and won grace for me
that I might be a child of God through Baptism.

You gave me Your own Body and Blood
in Holy Communion
as the Food of my soul.
Through the Holy Catholic Church
You have taught me about God.

I thank You for being my best Friend.
I offer my life to You because I love You.

I thank You for the good parents
You have given me
I hope that You will take our family to heaven
that we may be happy with You forever.

Jesus is my God

JESUS, my Friend,
Son of the Eternal Father,
make me His obedient child.
Son of Mary,
make me love her as my Mother.

My Master, teach me.
Prince of Peace, give me peace.
My Shepherd, guide and care for me.
My Bread of Life, feed my soul.
The true Way, lead me.

Eternal Truth, I believe in You.
Life of the saints, live in me.
My Judge, pardon me.
My King, rule me.
My Hope, strengthen me.

My Redeemer, save me.
My Helper, protect me.
My Model, make me like You.
My only Joy, take me to You.

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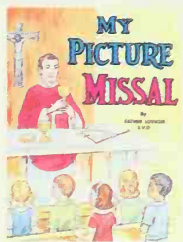
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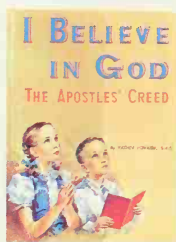
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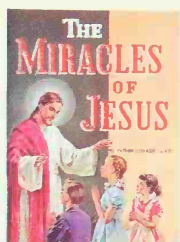
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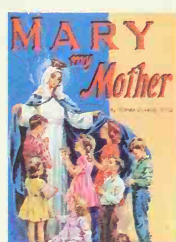
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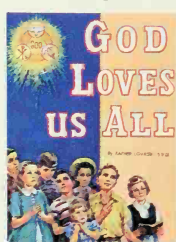
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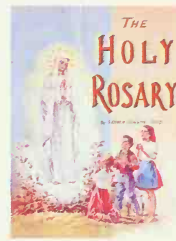
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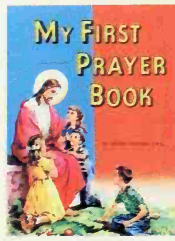
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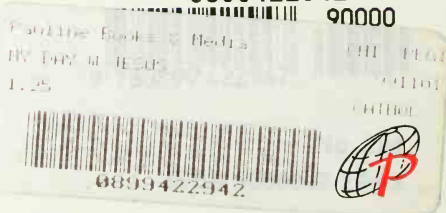
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