

St. Bartholomew Charades

Play some charades!

Materials Needed:

- Slips of paper
- A bowl or hat
- Timer (optional)

Preparation:

1. *Write Charade Prompts:*
 - a. Write down various kindness-themed prompts on slips of paper. Some examples are given below at the bottom of the page.
2. *Prepare the Game:*
 - a. Fold the slips of paper and place them in a bowl or hat.

How to Play:

1. *Form Teams:*
 - Divide the kids into two or more teams, depending on the number of players.
2. *Explain the Rules:*
 - Each team takes turns drawing a slip of paper from the bowl.
 - The player who draws the slip acts out the prompt without speaking while their team tries to guess what it is.
 - Set a timer for one or two minutes for each turn.
3. *Scoring:*
 - If the team guesses correctly within the time limit, they get a point.
 - If they don't guess correctly, the other team can have a chance to steal the point by guessing.
4. *Winning the Game:*
 - Continue playing until all prompts have been acted out. The team with the most points at the end wins a small prize or gets to pick a dance for everyone to dance to.

Tips:

- Encourage kids to use props or costumes if available to make the game more fun.
- Adjust the difficulty of the prompts based on the age group of the children.
- Make sure everyone gets a turn to act and guess to keep the game engaging for all participants.
- For younger children, you may want to print out the prompt to use in the game and also give a copy to the children so they can choose which of the ones on the page is being acted out.

Have fun with all the laughs and smiles that charades can bring!

Charades Prompts

Praying the Rosary	Offering a listening ear to someone in need	Receiving Holy Communion	Giving up your seat on public transport	Volunteering to walk dogs at an animal shelter
Baptizing a Baby	Planting a tree	Singing in a Church Choir	Reading Scripture	Smiling and saying hello to strangers
Receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation	Serving Mass as an Altar Server	Helping an elderly person cross the street	Helping a friend with homework or a project	Cooking a meal for a friend or family member