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PRUDENCE

“THINK BEFORE YOU ACT.”

OPENING PRAYER

Lord, You are the source of all light, wisdom and **PRUDENCE**. Help us to know right from wrong.

Help us to judge correctly in the different situations of our lives ... when to do something, when not to, when to say something, when to stay quiet, when to stand firm and when to let go.

Dear Mother of our Lord,
throughout this coming day

May you be pleased
with all I do and think and say!

Look on me with love,
and keep sin far away.



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DEFINITION

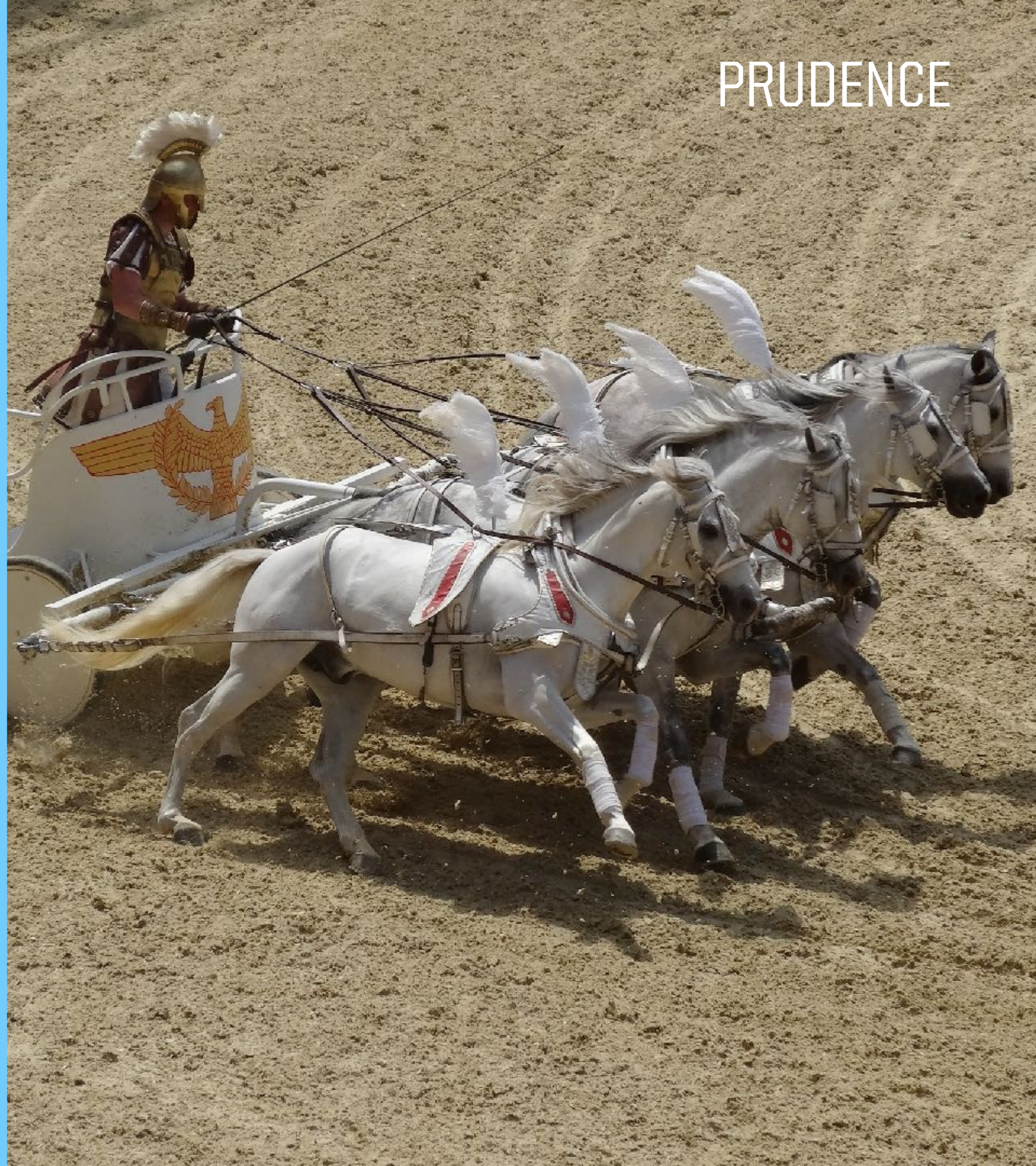
Prudence is the “charioteer of the virtues.”

It directs all the other virtues, making sure they are all going in the right direction.

Prudence is NOT just being cautious.

Prudence isn't merely about knowing the good, it's about doing the good.

Prudence helps us to know the truth and the best way to act at all times, make good decisions, do good and avoid evil.



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HOW TO STRENGTHEN

Ask for help and advice from those whom we trust. We should learn from our elders.

Think about the different circumstances and consequences before making a decision.

Reflect back on our actions to see how we could have done better.

Remember to always pray and ask God for His Light and Guidance.



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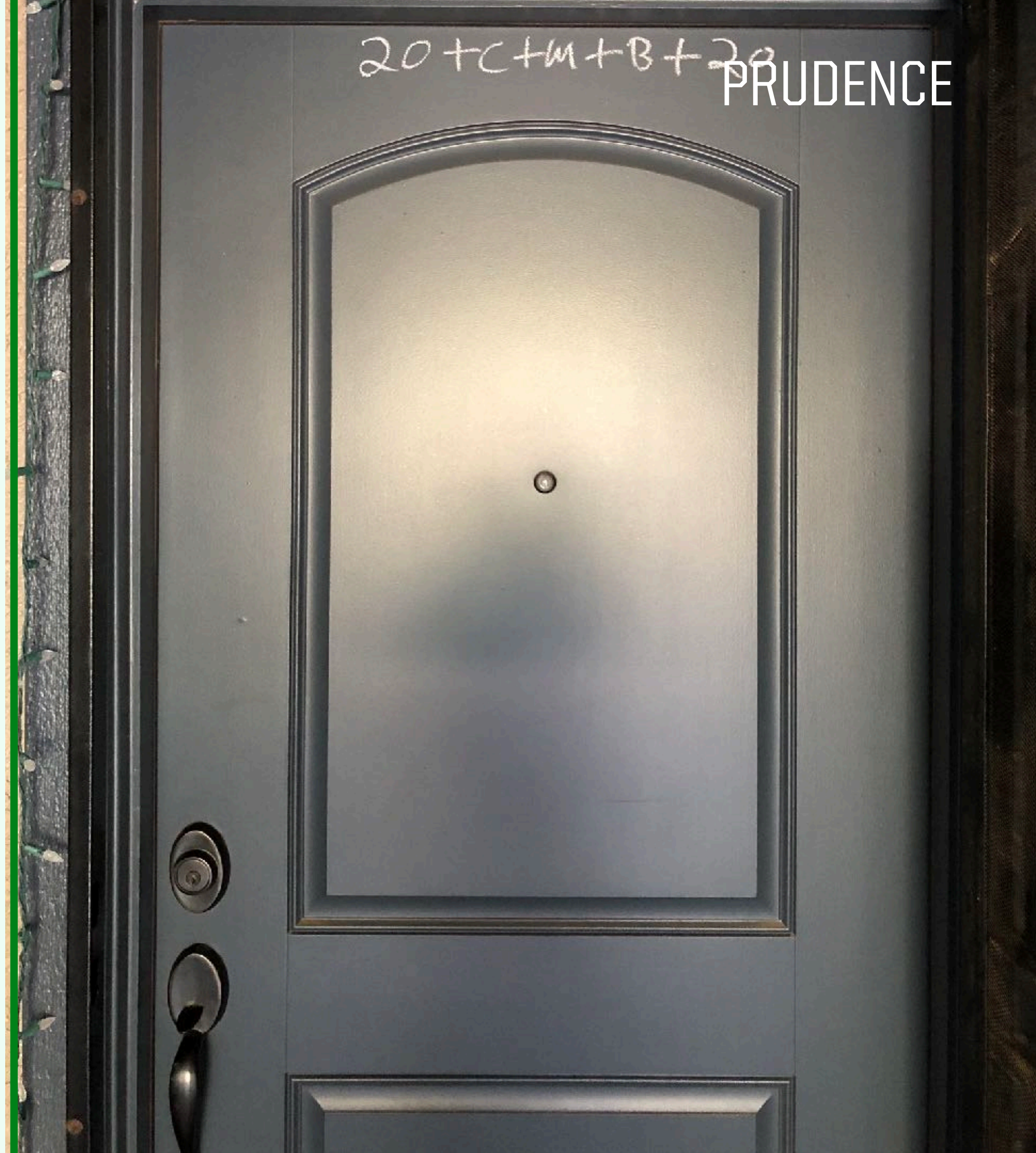
RESOLUTION

Always use the name of Jesus with prudence and reverence. Do not take the Lord's name in vain.
Praise Jesus!

FAMILY RESOLUTION

Mark your house with Blessed Chalk.
Write 20 + C + M + B + 24 above the doorpost
of your home together as a family.

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ST. JOHN BOSCO

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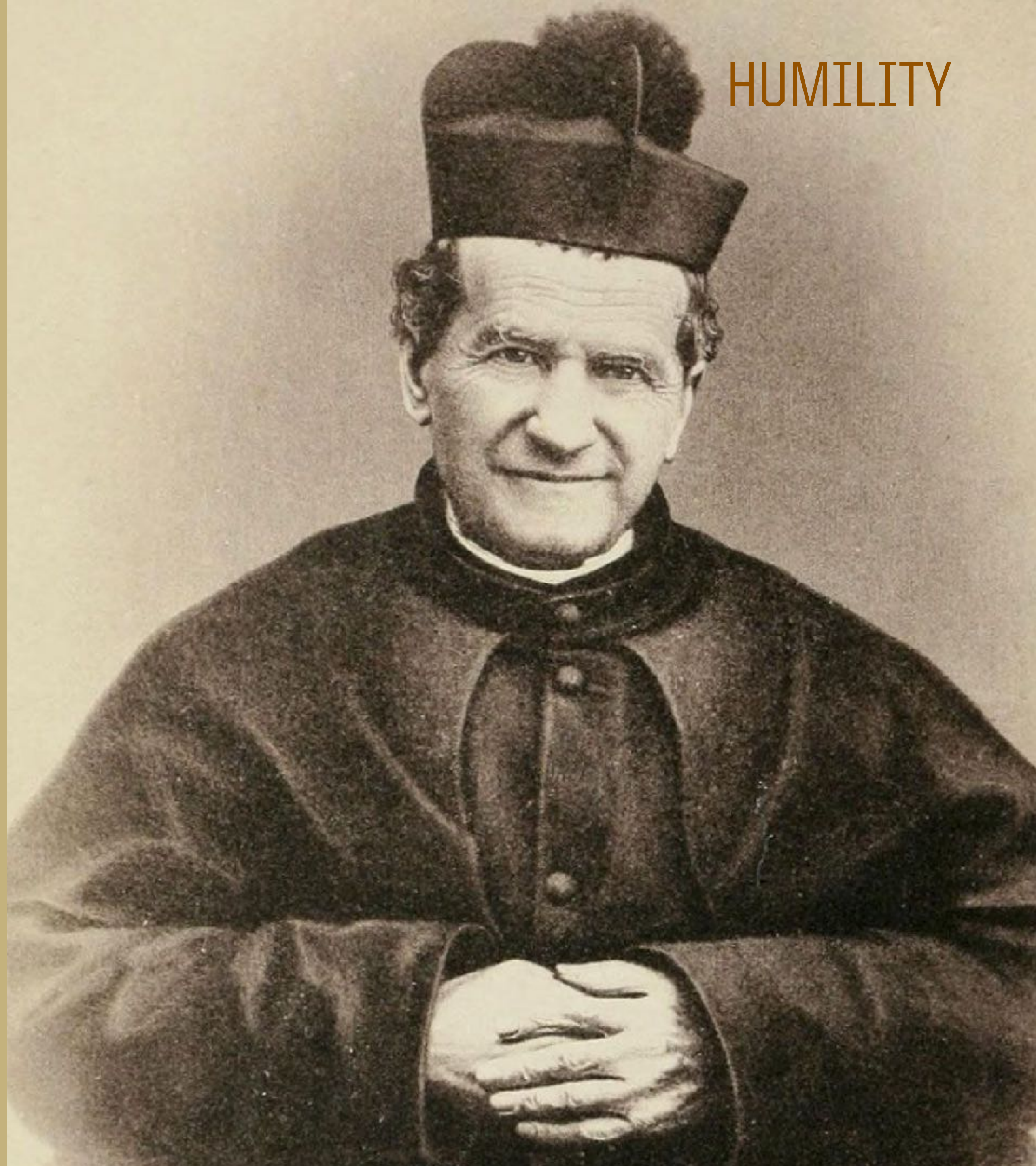
A radio theater podcast that tells the stories of the saints.

"Whatever you do, think of the glory of God as your main goal."

Saints Alive brings you the story of the humble and heroic man who gave himself entirely to those in need. Today, he is known throughout the world as the great Saint John Bosco: founder of the Salesian order and creator of the preventive system of discipline.

Parental Guidance Note: We start the story of John Bosco with the scene of John in a dream encountering evil young boys that turn into wild dogs (3:18-3:50) Additionally, at the end of this episode, Don Bosco is brutally attacked by two thugs until he is saved by a mysterious wolf (18:11-20:12) Pre-screen at your discretion for any young ears that may be listening.

HUMILITY



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***“Prudence is love ...
making wise distinction
between what hinders
and what helps itself.”***

- St. Augustine



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IMPRUDENCE

“ACTING WITHOUT THINKING.”

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VICE

EXAMPLES OF IMPRUDENCE

- * Assuming things without knowing for sure.
- * Blaming someone without actual proof.
- * Doing the wrong thing knowing the consequences ahead of time, such as:
 - Drinking and driving
 - Cheating on a test
 - Buying something knowing you can't afford it

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MONTHLY NOVENA

PRUDENCE

JANUARY 12-20

Monthly Intention: Let us pray that we may grow in the virtue of prudence, which is the strength that disposes practical reason to discern our true good in every circumstance and to choose the right means of achieving it.

ST. AGNES NOVENA

O glorious St. Agnes, by the living faith which animated thee from thy tender years and rendered thee so pleasing to God that thou did merit a martyr's crown: obtain for us the grace to keep our holy faith pure within us and to profess ourselves Christians in both word and work. May our open confession of Jesus before men cause Him to bear a favorable witness to us before His eternal Father.

(Mention your request).

O invincible Martyr, St. Agnes, by thy confidence in God's help, when being condemned by the Roman prefect to see the lily of thy purity stained and trampled in the mud, thou did not despair, still trusting firmly in God. We beseech thee by thine intercession to obtain for us from Almighty God the forgiveness of our sins and sure confidence that He will bestow upon us life everlasting and the means necessary to merit it.

O courageous maiden, St. Agnes most pure, by the burning love with which thy heart was on fire, and which preserved thee from harm in the midst of the flames of passion and of the stake with which the enemies of Christ sought to destroy thee. Obtain for us from Almighty God that every unclean flame may be extinguished in us and only the fire of Divine Love may burn within us. So that after spending a blameless life in practice of this virtue we may be worthy to have a share in the glory thou did merit by the purity of thy heart and thy glorious martyrdom. Amen. St. Agnes, virgin and martyr, pray for us.

Say one Hail Mary.



EPIPHANY BLESSING

This ceremony is to help the students grow in the virtue of prudence by learning more about the example of the three magi and how they planned, traveled and adored our Lord. In January we typically think of “New Year’s Resolutions.” This ceremony can help the students link this good tradition with making a gift to Baby Jesus.

Father give talk about Epiphany, 3 Magi, continuing to celebrate Christmas throughout whole month of January, explain the tradition of blessing homes and what everything means.

Remind about the 3 gifts of Gold, Frankincense and myrrh ... share what he (Priest) wants to offer to Baby Jesus as his gift this new year of 2022 and encourage the students to pray about that as well and talk it over with their parents

Bless the chalk. Light incense (Frankincense) and then go throughout the school so students can smell ... students and teachers go back to classrooms ...

Each teacher, together with students taking turns, write **20 + C + M + B + 24 above the doorway to their classroom.**

If possible, if some Moms could volunteer to bake 1-3 “3 Kings Cakes” and then students could enjoy the cake ... and have fun finding who gets the little baby Jesus figurine from inside the cake.



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