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Blessed Father Junipero Serra

Memory Verse

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Appropriate for:
1st Grade & 2nd Grade

Father Serra Drum

- Supplies**
- One empty oatmeal box (canister type) with lid per child
 - Assorted small colored feathers
 - Assorted colors construction paper
 - Brown acrylic paint (1-2 small bottles per 10 children)
 - Paint brush per child
 - Glue
 - Small paper cups
 - Water available for washing paint from paint brushes
 - Picture of Blessed Father Serra
 - Prayer for canonization of Blessed Father Serra
 - Black permanent marker
 - Scissors
 - 1 roll of paper towels for clean up
 - Optional: Newspaper

- Set Up**
1. Remove lid from oatmeal box and wipe clean. Measure from the bottom of the oatmeal box up 2 1/2 inches and draw a guide line around the box. Cut along this line with scissors or exacto knife. Around the new top of the oatmeal box snip 1/4 inch cuts about 1/2 inch apart. When snipping is complete, bend the cut edge down away from the center of the box. This will create a ledge for the plastic oatmeal lid to fit snugly. Check to see if the lid fits and make any adjustments needed.
 2. Place a small amount of brown paint into paper cups for children to share. Place 2 paint brushes in each cup of paint. Place a paper towel near each work area for quick clean up or spills.
 3. Pre-cut red, yellow and orange construction paper into small triangles approximately 1-inch in size. It will take 12 to 16 triangles per drum depending on which size of oatmeal box you are using.

- Directions**
1. Write names on the bottom of each child's drum.
 2. Allow the children to paint the drums brown. Put away paint cups and wash paint brushes. Distribute new cups and place small amount of glue in each cup. Use clean paint brushes for glue. While brown paint is drying on the

Father Serra Drum (Continued)

drum, read the prayer for the canonization of Blessed Father Serra and have a brief discussion about it.

3. When paint is dry glue construction paper triangles and feathers to decorate the side of the drum.
4. Write on the top edge of the plastic lid "Father Serra Pray for Us" with permanent marker.
5. Glue picture of Blessed Father Serra on the center of the plastic lid. Glue prayer for canonization onto the underside of the plastic lid.
6. Let dry. Place lids on drum. Container can hold prayer cards, Rosary or other small objects.



Prayer for the Canonization of Blessed Junipero Serra
 Heavenly Father, we ask you to look lovingly on the missionary journey of your faithful servant, Blessed Junipero Serra.

His steadfast efforts in founding nine missions in California and the conversion of thousands of Native Americans have inspired the formation and work of Serra International.

This ministry in Father Serra's name is to encourage and affirm vocations to priesthood and vowed religious life.

We pray that you bless this holy and courageous Franciscan missionary and grant him the ultimate honor of Sainthood in your heavenly kingdom.

We ask this in the name of thy Blessed Trinity and of Mary, Queen of Vocations.

Amen.