

A Peek Into The Atrium

Time for a visit...

During the early weeks of the atrium (in the time before Advent) an effort is made by the catechists to visit the church with the children. Our aim is to introduce the connection between the church setting and community and the atrium setting and community. The child may observe the liturgical colors in the church, the gestures that are done (sign of the cross, bowing, genuflecting, etc.) and the many items and images that are present in the church (crucifix, altar, ambo, tabernacle, baptismal font, etc.) Throughout the year we will reference the things we have seen "in church" and basic familiarity is needed for many atrium lessons to resonate with the child. Regular, brief and simple church visits with the family will also help to serve this need.