Weekly Faith Formation Update
February 22-26, 2021

Wire Sculpture Art | The Artful Parent

**Supplies:** Found objects in nature (sticks, large river rocks, pumpkins and gourds), [Twisteez Craft Sculpture Wire](https://www.twisteez.com/products/sculpture-wire), Clear Tape

**Instructions:**

1. Anchor wire to found object: First fix wire to an object by tightly wrapping and twisting the wire together. If the object has a stem, then attach the wire to it, but if the object is smooth (i.e. rock), then use clear tape to keep wire in place.
2. Wrap object: Have kids begin to tightly wrap the object. You may need to show how to hold the object or show them that the closer they hold the wire to the object, the easier it becomes to wrap it. If the wire runs out, simply twist more together to create one long strand.
3. Tie off wire ends: I find some kids will use the whole package of wires and others might only use a few wires. When your child is ready, simply twist the end of the wire to other wire that is already attached. If the wires are loose at all then be sure to tape them together.
4. Assemble: If your kids really enjoy making these objects then experiment with assembling multiple 3D shapes together.

This wire sculpture art is a great way to build fine motor skills and work on it.

Pretzel Forgiveness Prayer | Essential Lent

**Instructions:** Provide each child with a full-size pretzel. Tell them they’ll use the pretzel to help them with a prayer of forgiveness. Read the following examples of things for which the children might want to ask forgiveness. Tell them when they hear something for which they would like to ask forgiveness they can say that thing to themselves in their heart and take a bite of the pretzel.

- **Bite One:** Ask forgiveness in a family relationship
- **Bite Two:** Ask forgiveness in a friendship
- **Bite Three:** Ask forgiveness in matters of cruelty or thoughtlessness toward creatures or creation.
- **Bite Four:** Ask forgiveness for those with whom you have quarreled or fought.
- **Bite Five:** As God to remind you that God forgives us in all things.

End with Thanks Be To God! Amen.