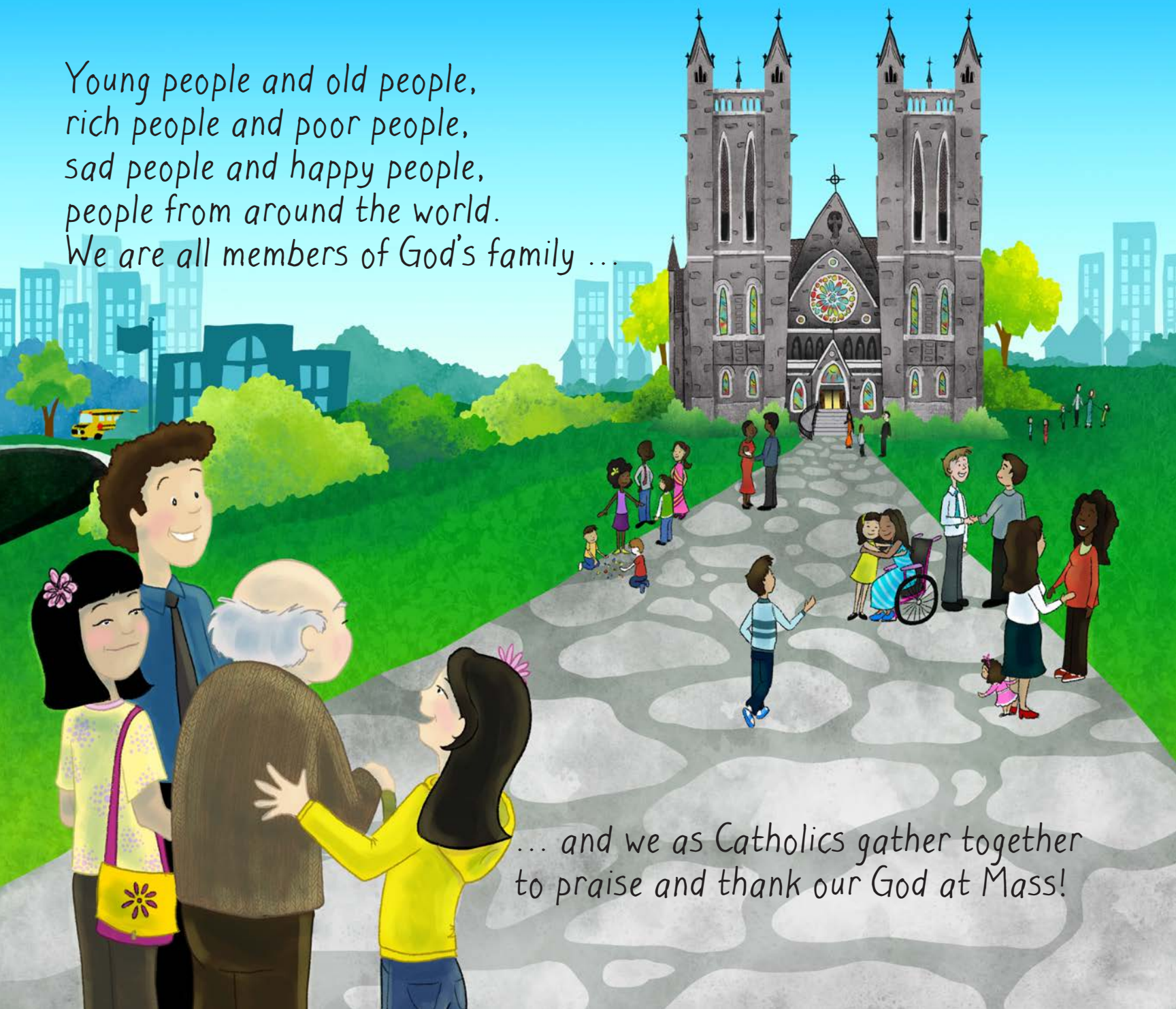


It's Sunday—the day of the Lord!

*All over the world, bells are ringing from
church steeples, calling people to Mass.*



Young people and old people,
rich people and poor people,
sad people and happy people,
people from around the world.
We are all members of God's family ...



... and we as Catholics gather together
to praise and thank our God at Mass!

INTRODUCTORY RITES

The Entrance Chant & Procession

We begin by joining all our voices together in song to make one beautiful sound.



The priest and other ministers process to the front of the church led by the cross and candles. This reminds us that we are all brothers and sisters who are led by the love and light of Jesus.

INTRODUCTORY RITES

The Sign of the Cross & Greeting

We make the Sign of the Cross together.

The priest says,

**“In the name of the Father,
and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.”**

We say, **“Amen.”**



The priest greets us with a greeting that has been used since before the time of Jesus:

“The Lord be with you.”

And we answer all together,

“And with your spirit.”

INTRODUCTORY RITES

The Penitential Act

We say that we are sorry for the times when we have not acted like friends of Jesus.

Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

