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Activities to Celebrate the Feast of Saint Catherine of Siena

Choose one or more of the activities below to celebrate the Feast of Saint Catherine of Siena.

1. Saint Catherine of Siena wrote many letters, giving advice and counsel to others, including royalty and popes. She was a counselor to both Pope Gregory XI and Pope Urban VI. Our current Pope is Pope Francis. Write a letter to Pope Francis including one problem you think exists in the Church today, and providing him advice on how to deal with this problem.
2. Saint Catherine of Siena lived a very Christian life. List either the Beatitudes or the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy and give examples of how Catherine lived these out in her own life.
3. Do research on the Great Western Schism, and write an essay on this period of the Church's history and Saint Catherine's involvement.
4. Do research on the Avignon Papacy, and write an essay on this period of the Church's history and Saint Catherine's involvement.
5. If Catherine of Siena were living today, what do you think would be of most concern to her? To whom do you think she would give advice, and why?
6. What is a "Doctor of the Church"? Which four women have been given this title? Why do you think they were given this title? Which men have been given this title?