

TOB Monthly ISSUE 1

Dear primary educator of your child
(that's YOU ... the parent!),

ABOUT TOB MONTHLY Welcome to **TOB Monthly**: an 8-issue mini-magazine that is interactive between parent + child, and between child + material. We are thrilled you are here to embrace your God-given right + responsibility as primary educator of your child!

TOB Monthly is based on 12 Christian anthropology standards derived from Saint John Paul II's 'Theology of the Body' (100+ talks on human personhood). The structure of the magazine introduces key Catholic concepts of personhood, but leaves you in control of guiding the conversations to fruition based on your individual child's maturity and readiness. Please preview each issue first.

IN THIS ISSUE

Standard: ALL GOD'S CREATION IS A GIFT

Focus: our lives and our bodies are gifts

Through the Catholic faith we embrace that all human life is a gift, made in the image and likeness of God. We honor life from conception (meeting of sperm + egg) to natural death. Each and every human life contains equal and full dignity and worth; both sexes, all races, and every ability.

This issue will help children to recognize that life, in its most vulnerable stages, needs the greatest care (a newly fertilized egg, a frail elderly person, a disabled person); these lives need our protection the most.

Children will also begin to see their body with the awe and wonder that God desires. TOB teaches that the body expresses the soul the body reveals the *person*... God loves both body and soul tenderly, and asks us to do the same.

We're rooting for you!

For Love of God, Body + Soul,
Your TOB Monthly Team