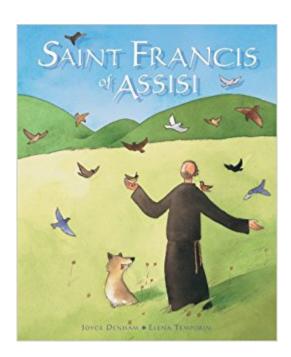


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Saint Francis Of Assisi





Synopsis

St. Francis, the patron saint of animals, is particularly remembered for his gentle and caring deeds towards his world and those who shared it with him. His vibrant faith inspired many others to follow his example of a life filled with consideration. Set in the medieval countryside surrounding Assisi, this book invites you to step into his world, beautifully recreated in words and pictures.

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Grade $3\tilde{A}$ ¢ \hat{a} $-\hat{a}$ æ6 \tilde{A} ¢ \hat{a} $-\hat{a}$ *Denham chronicles the lifelong spiritual journey of Saint Francis of Assisi in the conversational prose of a storyteller. The fictionalized account is divided into brief vignettes, each illuminating a key event in the man's life and illustrating how he modeled the compassionate ideology professed in the venerated Prayer of Saint Francis. The son of a cloth merchant, Francis spent his youth carousing with a gang of young nobles and dreamed of finding glory on the battlefield as a knight. When God spoke to him in a dream, he gave up his military aspirations and became Christ's knight instead, dedicating his life to the poor. The author touches upon the most celebrated episodes in Francis's life, including his sermon to the birds, his taming of the wolf of Gubbio, his creation of the first cr $\tilde{A}f$ A"che, and his being marked with the stigmata. The narrative is accompanied by simple cartoon watercolor paintings. Francis is depicted as a shaggy-haired, smiling man clad at first in rich tunics and then in a plain brown robe tied with a

length of rope. Denham prefaces the text with the Canticle of the Sun and rounds it out with The Call to Repentance. Young readers may enjoy this abbreviated overview of the saint's life but should rely on a more detailed source for reports. \tilde{A} ¢ \hat{a} $\neg \hat{a}$ •Linda L. Walkins, Mount Saint Joseph Academy, Brighton, MA Copyright \tilde{A} \hat{A} © Reed Business Information, a division of Reed Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved.

Joyce Denham is an experienced author of several books for children and adults, taking her inspiration from Celtic Christianity and the lives of the saints. Her lyrical style sings through in stories. Having had a career in teaching, Joyce now lives in Minneapolis and is the Associate Minister in Adult Education and Formation at her church. Born in Alessandria in 1970. She is a graduate of the European Institute of Design in Milan, where she lives and works. She has been a freelance illustrator since 1993, working mainly in childrens books. She is the illustrator of the Usborne Family Bible and the Usborne Shakespeare series. Since 2000, Elena has worked mostly for Usborne Publishing. She has illustrated The Family Bible, The First Christmas, Stories from Shakespeare, Snowy Day, The Gingerbread Man and Lullabies for them. Elena has also illustrated Gib mir Wurzeln for the German publisher Gabriel, and Le Scarpette di Murano for Mpndadori. She has done many book cover illustrations including several for Sperling and Kupfer and Mondolibri in Italy and circa 10 covers for Christrian Focus Publications in Scotland. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

An excellent book to introduce children to the life of a godly man who's life of extremes held more excitement than anyone unfamiliar with it would ever expect. This book spent very little time on St. Francis' quiet life of contemplation, but did a phenominal job of showing how he moved from a man focused on wealth and war to one moved by God to seek peace and harmony. His joy in the end practically sparkled off the pages. The illustrations were crisp and well done too. It's a beautiful book. I would highly recommend this book for anyone interested in giving their kids (or themselves!) a real life example of a person whose life was radically changed by knowing God.

Excellent for young children and the graphics are wonderful. Enjoyed readi9ng it to the young people in the youth bible study

Great for grade school children

lovely book

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Good read

I was pleased with the booklet. However, I tried to send it to Alberta Canada and could not use their zip code number which is TOB OXO. I sent it to Alberta under the Providence. Consequently, I had it sent to me and then had to pay postage again to send to their home. Bobbie Axe

I went to our local Catholic bookstore to shop for Christmas gifts for my Godchildren. Out of all the books there on Saint Francis, this was the clear winner for me. The writing was clear, beautiful and child appropriate, but not pandering. The book is a little long for most kids, you'll probably want to break it up into multiple sessions, but it really covers a ton of episodes in Saint Francis's life.

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