

# Parent's Group Discussion Points

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## At Church

- How do you deal with kids in church who cannot read yet?
  - To keep from getting too fidgety
  - To keep quiet
  - To stay with the Orthodox theme -- not Superman coloring books
- How can girls participate in the church service?
- When can boys become altar servers?

## Orthodoxy at home

- Where do you put icons
- When should we buy our kids their first icon? Should there be different icons throughout the house?
- When should we buy our kids their first Bible?
  - What type of Bible? An easy-to-read kids version or regular or study Bible?
- What are other ways to bring Orthodoxy into kids thoughts when they are not at church
- Do you have easy prayers for night time and dinner time?
- When do kids start fasting?
  - From food on Sunday mornings
  - From meat on Wednesdays and Fridays
- When should we bring kids to special services
  - Pascha
  - Vespers
  - Lenten events

## At School

- How do we prepare our kids for the questions/discussions they have at school with kids of other faiths?
- Should we teach them key components of other faiths and how they compare to Orthodoxy?
- How do we bring the church into discussions about drugs
- How do we bring the church into discussions about sex