

Incoming 4th Grade, 2024

Your summer reading assignment consists of two books. Both include a small assignment to accompany them. Please be sure to complete both assignments, as we will present and discuss them during the first week of school.

- 1) Read [The Phantom Tollboth](#) by [Norton Juster](#). See the assignment below.
- 2) Complete a spiritual reading of your choice. Suggestions: any book about the lives of the saints. See the assignment below.

1) *The Phantom Tollbooth*: Choose ONE of the following options to showcase your understanding of The Phantom Tollbooth. Be prepared to present your work to the class when you return to school.

--Write a book review of at least one full page. Be sure to include what you liked and disliked about the book, what the author did well (or could have done better), what the reader can learn from the story, and your favorite part or lesson. Write a letter of at least one full page to a character of your choice. Tell this character what you thought of their actions and choices in the story. Tell them what they did well, or what they should have done differently, and what you learned from reading about them.

--Design an original cover for the book. Fold a sheet of paper in half to make a “front” and “back” cover. On the front, include the title, author, illustrator (that’s you!), and a colorful illustration. On the back, write a short (one-paragraph) book summary that encourages someone to read it. Do not copy this from the actual book; write your own. 2) Spiritual reading of your choice: Print the next page, complete it, and be prepared to turn it in and share your work on the first day of school. Feel free to use the back or an additional sheet of paper if you need more space.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

Spiritual Reading Assignment  
4th Grade

Title of book(s) read: \_\_\_\_\_

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Author (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

**In at least 3 complete sentences, explain what your book was about.**

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**In at least 3 complete sentences, explain what you learned from this book. In other words, how did reading this book make you a better Catholic?**

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**In at least 2 complete sentences, explain why your friends should read this book, too!**

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