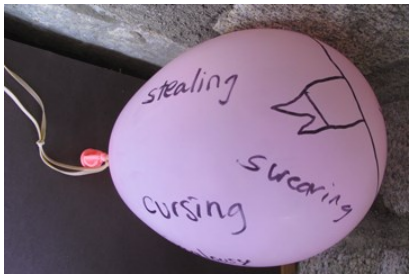
# Learn by Doing

## Choice Pig Punching Balloons



In order to prepare for heaven we must learn to stop behaving in ways that are selfish. When we do this the Lord removes selfishness from inside of us as well as from the behaviors that others see (see *Divine Providence* 100). Children will decorate pink balloons like pigs and write hurtful things that we should try to get out of our lives on them. They will then attach rubber bands to the neck of the balloon and punch the balloon to send the evils away.




1. The evil spirits who were with the man asked the Lord to send them into a herd of pigs that were feeding nearby. We will decorate balloons and make them into pigs.
2. Give each student an inflated balloon and a permanent marker. The tie at the neck of the balloon is like the pig’s tail. Draw pig ears, eyes, snout, and legs on the balloon. See *Pig Drawing Ideas* (p. 2) for inspiration.
3. We are going to write the names of hurtful things we want to send away on the balloons. What kinds of things should we write? (lies, stealing, hurting others, hitting, etc.)
4. Give each child three rubber bands. Show them how to connect the rubber bands together by looping one through another.
5. Fasten the chain of rubber bands to the neck of the balloon.
6. Hold the rubber band chain and punch the evils on the balloon away!

**Materials Needed for Each Student**

pink balloon (have extras in case some pop), thin permanent marker, 3 rubber bands

**Prepare in Advance**

Print a copy of *Pig Drawing Ideas* p. 2 to share. Make a sample punching balloon. Blow up the balloons.

**New Church Concept**
**Evil Imprisons Us**

People who are infested by evils from hell are as though bound in prison, for they cannot help but think about evil, even if they will good. This gives rise to an inner combat and distress from which they cannot be set free, almost like people in chains. *Apocalypse Revealed* 99

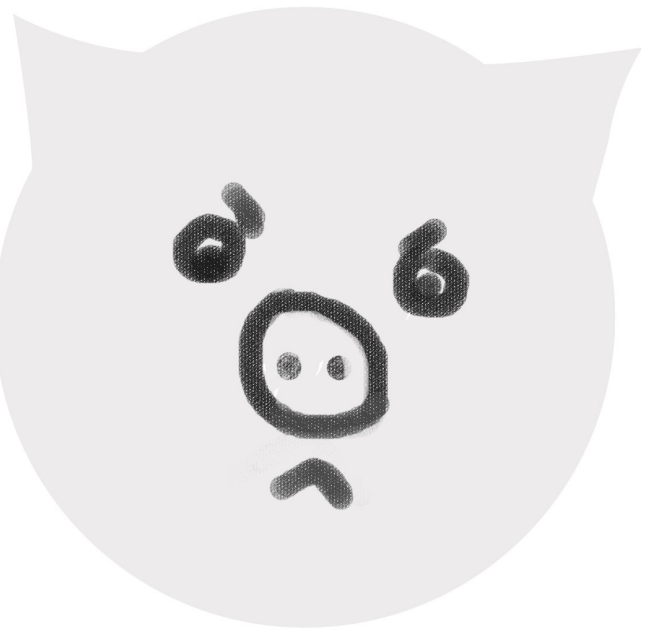
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