

ORTHODOX CRAFT CDs AVAILABLE

Until recently, it was very difficult to find crafts for home and church school that related to Orthodox themes and practices. The Christian Education Department of the Archdiocese is now offering a series of craft CDs to help meet this need. All CDs include at least 20 crafts, which are saved in the form of hand out sheets that can be printed off to give to teachers, volunteers or for use in summer camps or in homeschool programs. On each is a picture, materials list, complete directions, patterns (if applicable), and suggestions as to appropriate age levels for each specific craft. For those who attend the craft workshops at the Orthodox Institute and elsewhere, these will look familiar in design.

Each CD covers a three month period, and the crafts on each relate to the feasts and special events within that period. For example, the CD which covers November-January would have a number of crafts directly related to Advent, The Nativity and Epiphany. The latest CD (August-October of 2011) will have crafts with the themes of Scripture and the Holy Land- since this is the theme of the Orthodox Institute this year. Each CD also contains some generic crafts, which can be used at any time throughout the church year.

The idea of the project is to produce 4 CDs per year, so that if a parish or individual purchases them for several years, they will have nearly two hundred craft plans at their disposal, more of course, if CDs are purchased on an ongoing basis.

All CDs are \$10, which includes shipping, and limitless downloads for the purchaser. For more information or to order CDs, contact:

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