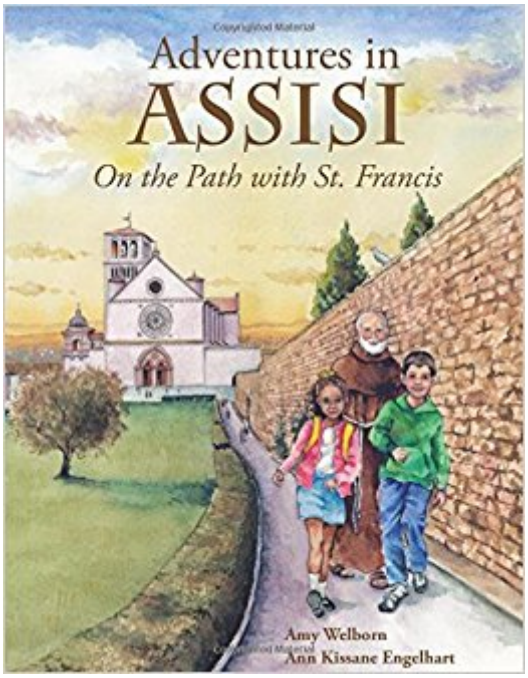
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Adventures In Assisi: On The Path With St. Francis



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Synopsis

Two cousins, Gianna and Lorenzo, are left in the care of their great uncle, Brother Antonio, a Franciscan friar living in Assisi, for the day while their parents visit a winery. Neither cousin wants to be with the other, and the day threatens to turn into a fiasco until Brother Antonio comes up with a game for them to play: They will discover the places where St. Francis lived and worked.Children will learn about both St. Francis and Assisi in this lovely tale for children ages 5-8, illustrated with the warmth and colors of the Italian countryside. As Gianna and Lorenzo lose themselves in the game, they come to better understand the qualities that marked St. Francis: humility, gentleness, kindness, simplicity, and love. In turn, the cousinÃ¢â ¬â„¢s relationship is mended as they come to see the good in each other.

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Customer Reviews

Amy Welborn is the author of many books on spirituality, catechesis, and apologetics. She has been published in the New York Times, First Things, and Commonweal, and is a regular contributor to Living Faith. Her books for children include: The Loyola Kids' Book of Saints, Friendship with Jesus, Be Saints! and A Child's Book of Psalms. Her most recent book is Bambinelli Sunday: A Christmas Blessing. Ann Kissane Engelhart is a watercolor artist, illustrator and educator. She has worked with

Amy Welborn to produce the children's books, Friendship with Jesus, Be Saints!, and Bambinelli Sunday. Her portraits, still-life and landscape paintings are featured in galleries and private collections. She lives in New York with her husband and children.

Very nice story and beautiful illustrations!

A lovely story told with simplicity and joy. Francis would approve!

Nice story to read to kids

One learns surprisingly little about St Francis in this book. There are no stories that illustrate his character, the kids just walk through town and point out landmarks i.e. he lived here, he was baptized here, etc. My kids are preschool to elementary school age and this book didn't capture their interest. After reading it, they couldn't tell me much of anything about Saint Francis. Disappointing.

With Amy Welborn's vibrant and engaging storytelling and Ann Kissane Englehart's stunning illustrations, the awesome new book Adventures in Assisi: On the Path with St. Francis brings the story of a beloved saint to life. Your family will love journeying the streets of Assisi with Gianna, Lorenzo and Brother Antonio as they play a guessing game that brings all of the true details of Francis' life into great clarity. The book ends with a brief biography of the saint to fill in all of the historical details of his life.Highly recommended!

Adventures in Assisi is a story about a brother, Lorenzo, and sister, Gianna, who are spending the day in Assisi with their uncle, Brother Antonio. Like most siblings, they tend to bicker and fight a lot. To make matters worse, they find Assisi to be completely boring with nothing for them to do. And while Assisi is a lot slower-paced than Rome or Florence, it has beauty all around it if you know where to look. Luckily for the two children, their uncle does know these places. To stop the petty bickering, he invites them to play a game with him with the winner getting a special treasure. The game involves showing the children various places throughout Assisi and having them guess what St. Francis did at each particular location. In this game, they are cleverly taught history, geography, and the life of a great saint. They also learn the meaning of love and sacrifice. Books by Amy Welborn have yet to disappoint me, and this one is no different. In addition to a great story and

beautiful illustrations, there are also sayings of St. Francis on every other page. Truly a masterful story!

Whether you dream of going to Assisi or not, this book will give you a glimpse of it. The story deserves more than mention, but I want to just bring up the illustrations for a minute, because I have seen how they can engage my kids (and myself too!) in books that are truly well-done. And this is one such book.Cousins Lorenzo and Gianna are grumpy and stuck with an old uncle, who happens to be a Franciscan brother. He turns a walk through Assisi into an adventure where they learn about Saint Francis.WeÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã â„¢re a map-loving family, and the fact that the inside of the book has a map of the walk through Assisi only adds to the appeal. Sprinkled throughout are quotes from Saint Francis ÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã â • not as part of the story, but as supplements.The journey through Assisi isnÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã â„¢t just beautiful, itÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã â„¢s also a bit of a guessing game. Brother Antonio, the uncle who serves as guide, engages both his two young companions and those of us reading along by always asking for input before sharing the story. The way the story is written with questions, you canÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã â„¢t help but find yourself looking closer at the pictures and thinking about Saint Francis more deeply.Overall, a great book to share.

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