



## Media and Speaker Kit

# Colleen Pressprich

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# About Colleen

Colleen Pressprich is a former missionary and Montessori teacher turned homeschooling Mom of 5.

Using the lessons learned in the mission field and the classroom, Colleen is passionate about passing on her deep and abiding Catholic faith to her children.

Colleen is the author of 10 books (and counting!).

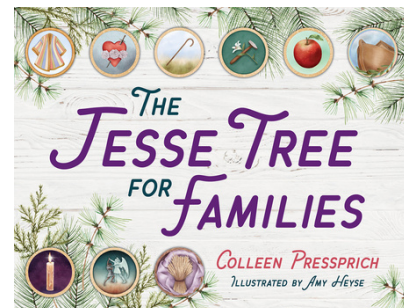
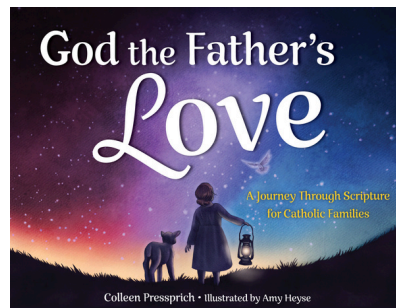
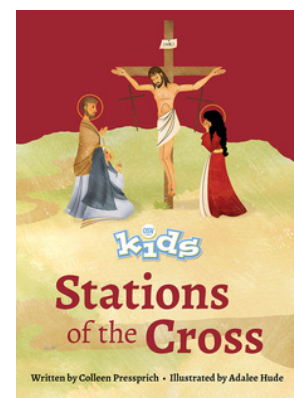
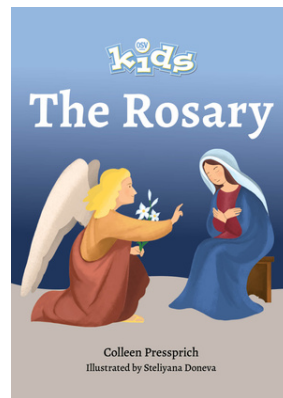
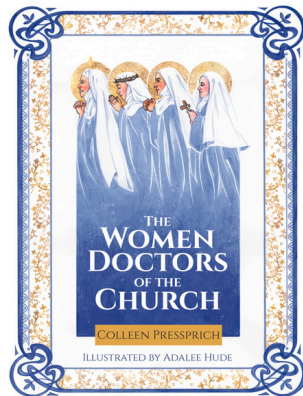
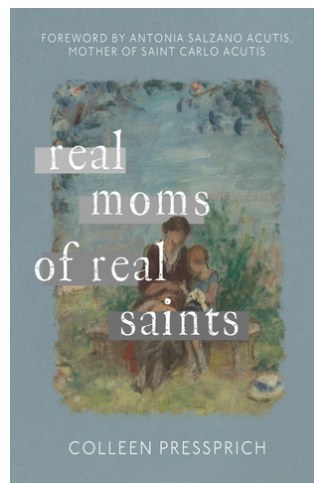
She feels incredibly blessed that through her books, articles, speaking engagements, and author visits, she is able to help others do the same!



## Colleen's Books

Colleen's website has a page for each book containing reviews and ordering options.

For information about bulk orders for your school or parish, reach out to Colleen via email.





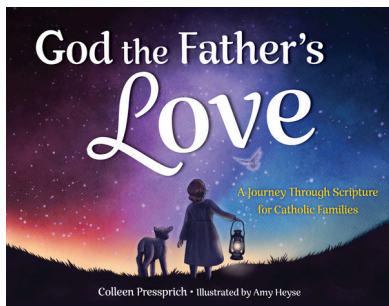
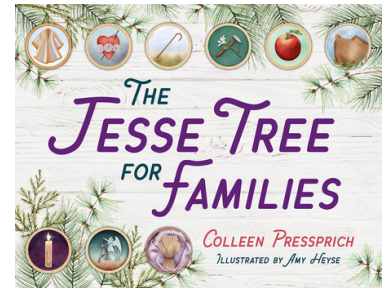
# Backlist Best-Sellers



Bring your family to Jesus through Mary with **Marian Consecration for Families with Young Children**.

Featuring a traditional 33-day preparation for consecration, this book is written and beautifully illustrated to help children to understand and grow in faith and Marian devotion. Each day includes an image of Mary, a short reflection, and discussion questions to spark faith-filled conversations.

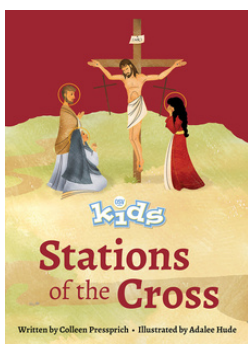
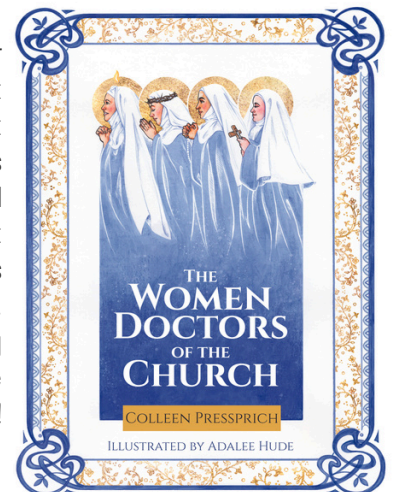
The Jesse Tree for Families presents a lovely, achievable way to celebrate the liturgical season of Advent with your children. Each day focuses on a specific person from Jesus' family tree with a meditation perfect for the whole family and a beautifully illustrated portrait, plus an ornament to hang on your family's Jesse tree. Conversation starters and resources for parents are included, with the goal of helping your family grow in faith so that, together, you can prepare for the arrival of Christmas.



In **God the Father's Love**, you will encounter the heart of God the Father for yourself -- perhaps for the first time -- and find the words and confidence to guide your children along the first steps of their journey with God. This beautifully illustrated book dives into twenty different Scripture passages that reveal God the Father's love for us. You'll be guided through the process of reading and relating to Scripture as a family, and conversation starters at the end of each chapter will help spark meaningful discussion and reflection.

The **Women Doctors of the Church** is a beautifully illustrated introduction for children to four extraordinary women who have helped shape the Church. Saint Hildegard of Bingen, Saint Teresa of Ávila, Saint Catherine of Siena, and Saint Thérèse of Lisieux all faced unique challenges in their lives but fixed their identities firmly in Christ and became incredible examples of holiness. These women -- called Doctors of the Church for their intellectual and spiritual impact -- show us what it means to have a servant's heart, how to love God and neighbor, and why it's important to follow God's unique plan for our lives.

The **Women Doctors of the Church** brings these amazing women to life for young hearts and minds, reminding us that we are all called to be saints -- and maybe even someday Doctors of the Church!



**OSV Kids Stations of the Cross** helps children understand and connect with the Passion of Christ. Perfect for schools, parishes, and families, this wonderfully illustrated booklet includes age-appropriate descriptions of each Station, prayers, and questions for reflection and discussion.

This beautiful, ancient devotion allows children to understand the strength and mercy of God, to praise and thank Jesus for giving his life for us, and, ultimately, to find great hope in the redemption of the world through his holy cross.

As children walk with Jesus in **OSV Kids Stations of the Cross**, they begin to see how he walks with them at home, at school, and in every moment of their lives.



## LOOKING FOR A SPEAKER?

With a background in ministry and education, Colleen is comfortable speaking in various settings to groups of all ages and stages of life. She has spoken at retreats, for educational/faith building events, and many other venues, making her a flexible choice for your event.

## CONNECT

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Speaking fees are dependent on distance, season, and time requirements. Please feel free to reach out and ask about your particular need.

## SPEAKING TOPICS

- The Women Doctors of the Church
- How to share your personal witness with your kids
- Liturgical living basics
- Raising future saints
- Finding your prayer life in the midst of a busy season of life
- Talking about faith with kids
- Marian Consecrations and Marian Devotion
- The Domestic Church
- My own personal faith story
- NFP (both for couples and for single women)
- Motherhood

**Looking for something different? Let's brainstorm together!**

## ENDORSEMENTS

*“Colleen is an engaging and knowledgeable speaker who brings empathy and real-life experience to her presentations. With kindness, honesty, and vulnerability, as a woman of faith, wif, and mother.” -Kim Kerwin*

*“Colleen is a talented speaker with years of ministry experience, spanning from teen ministry as a Life Teen missionary to NFP Courses as a faithful mother to all the in-betweens and ups-and-downs of faithfulness and spirituality.*

*Colleen packs thoughtful research behind her experience in a classroom, meaning every presentation feels thorough, but also thoughtful, personal, and loving.” -Danielle Center*

# AUTHOR VISIT OPTIONS

Colleen is available for both half and full-day school events. If the visit requires driving more than an hour and a half, you'll need to include gas mileage. If driving further and needing a hotel, you'll need to include accommodation and food.

Rates are dependent on items chosen, but can be negotiated depending on school budget.

Should your kids like to purchase books ahead of the visit, Colleen is happy to offer signed copies. Just ask!

## GRADES K-2 (30-45 MINUTES)

Pray the Stations of the Cross together with author-led conversation starters and discussion

Reading of 1 section of Marian Consecration for Families with Young Children with author-led conversation starters and discussion, coloring pages to go alongside.

Reading of The Women Doctors of the Church and coloring pages or rose printing craft for St. Therese

Learn about the Pope and choose a papal coloring activity.

## GRADES 3-5 (45 MINUTES)

Pray the Stations of the Cross together with author-led conversation starters and discussion.

Reading of The Women Doctors of the Church with St. Catherine of Siena letter writing activity and author-led discussion about Doctors of the Church.

Presentation on the Papacy and Pope Leo XIV with activities such as designing their own papal rings and coats of arms.

# AUTHOR VISIT OPTIONS

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## GRADES 6-8 (1 HOUR)

Pray the Stations of the Cross together with author-led conversation starters and discussion.

Learn about the Doctors of the Church and create your own prayer journal activity.

Writer's workshop based on the Stations of the Cross: the focus is on using language to evoke emotions, keeping your audience in mind, and how to give/receive critiques. Students will work on creating their own reflection for one of the Stations.

Writer's Workshop based on The Women Doctors of the Church: Focus is how to write about something important to you in a way that it becomes important to someone else, using your authorial voice, and how to give/receive critiques.

## WHOLE SCHOOL RETREAT DAY (K-8)

If your school is planning a retreat to begin or end your year, consider Colleen as the keynote speaker. With her background in youth ministry and education, Colleen can speak to multiple age groups at a time in a way that is engaging.

For a whole school retreat, Colleen will come and spend the day with your kids as they are on retreat, and give a 30-minute talk on the topic of your choice, pulling in moments and memories from the day.

Colleen is also happy to consult ahead of time on retreat schedules, activity ideas, and provide any support she can to you.

## HIGH SCHOOL OPTIONS

Recognizing that each high school is different in both structure and culture, Colleen is happy to work with teachers and administrators to find topics and content that fit your school's individual needs. Whether you're looking for a speaker for a retreat, guided prayer time, a talk on personal prayer or Faith within the Catholic Church, or a writer's workshop that seamlessly blends faith and academics, Colleen is here to help!