Yr 2 Protection of the Holy Mother of God Parents' Cheat Sheet

1. What did the people in the story do when their enemies were attacking and they were afraid?

They went to church to pray. The first thing they thought of was to turn to God when they were afraid! This is something that we should try to remember to do at all times of anxiety and fear; pray! This is a good practice in our daily lives. Since our children learn so much from our example, when we have moments of fear or anxiety, it is good to let them see us pray first, then act. If there are times in their life when they are nervous or scared, you are encouraged to pray with them first, then talk about what can be done.

2. Why should we ask the Theotokos to pray for us?

Discuss how we [ray for others and we ask others to pray for us. It is a very loving thing to do to pray for others. The Theotokos was crying that night because she loved the people so much and wanted them to be protected. Since she is the closest person to God and we know that she loves us so much, we ask her to pray to God for us!

3. How do you feel knowing that we can always turn to the Mother of God to protect us?

Perhaps you can share how it makes you feel. Are there times in your life that you have turned to Mary and felt her protection over you? Are there times that you have prayed for your children to her? Your children will love to hear these stories. Open this question up to the children to express how they feel.