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St. Benedict Banana Bread

- Ingredients . 3 or 4 ripe bananas, smashed
 - 1/3 cup melted butter
 - · 1 cup sugar (can easily reduce to 3/4 cup)
 - · 1 egg, beaten
 - 1 teaspoon vanilla
 - · 1 teaspoon baking soda
 - · Pinch of salt
 - · 11/2 cups of all-purpose flour

- Directions 1. Preheat the oven to 350°F.
 - 2. With a wooden spoon, mix butter into the mashed bananas in a large mixing bowl.
 - 3. Mix in the sugar, egg, and vanilla.
 - 4. Add the baking soda and salt to the mixture and mix in.
 - 5. Add the flour last, mix.
 - 6. Pour mixture into a buttered 4x8 inch loaf pan.
 - 7. Bake for 1 hour.
 - 8. Cool on a rack.
 - 9. Remove from pan and slice to serve.

Discussion What did St. Benedict eat when he lived in the cave? St. Benedict ate bread. A raven would bring him bread. Could you live on just one piece of bread each day?



5th Grade & 6th Grade

Juice Lid Medal

- Supplies . 2 plastic juice jug lids approximately 1 3/4" in diameter per child
 - · Ribbon ¼" wide various colors
 - · Masking tape
 - Glue
 - · Paint brushes
 - · Small cups for glue
 - · Picture of St. Benedict
 - · Picture of St. Benedict medal front and back
 - · Construction paper
 - Scissors
 - 1 Permanent marker

- Set Up 1. Print and pre-cut St. Benedict picture and St. Benedict medal picture, front and back.
 - 2. Put glue in small cups with paint brushes.

- Directions 1. Give each child 2 plastic juice bottle lids washed and dried.
 - 2. Distribute two 2" pieces of masking tape.
 - 3. Have children stack lids with rims facing each other and tape a hinge on the inside and outside of the lids. The tape on the inside should be in the same place as the outside piece of tape. This gives more
 - 4. Apply glue to the top of the lid and place St. Benedict picture on lid.

reinforcement on the hinge.

- 5. Measure the diameter of the lids with the ribbon
- 6. Glue ribbon on the edge of the top and bottom lids.
- 7. Open lids and glue the St. Benedict medal on the inside of the two lids one on the top and the other on the bottom.
- 8. Write name on the bottom of the lids.
- 9. Let dry.



