Hi! Hi ya! Howdy!

People like to greet one another. Daddy calls out, "I'm home!" Baby grins. Grandma gives a hug. On the banner, put the names of the people in your family. Put the words they say to greet one another. Or, you can draw pictures of the gestures they use.



Family Note: Your child is learning that Catholic gather to celebrate Mass. Do the activity with your child and talk about the completed banner. Point out that during Mass, words and gestures of greeting are used, too. At the next Mass you go to together, help you child notice the priest's words and gestures of greeting. For example, he opens his arms wide and says "Peace be with you."

Teacher Note: Use this activity page with Chapter 2, "Gathering." Help the children generate a list of words and gestures of welcome that can be used on the banners. Some of the children might want to act out the greetings and gestures their families use. Provide crayons or markers for decorating the banners. Completed banners can be displayed in the classroom or sent home with the children.