

Optional: Immaculate Conception Miraculous Medal Tinfoil Craft

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The Miraculous Medal has Mary on it (more specifically, Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception). This is how she appeared to St. Catherine Laboure. Mary told St. Catherine to "Have a medal struck upon this model. Those who wear it will receive great graces, especially if they wear it around the neck."

Supplies Needed to Complete this craft:

- Miraculous Medal Template Provided
- Sheet of Fun Foam, Paperboard, or Cardboard (the size of the template)
- Heavy Duty foil
- Dull Pencil
- Assorted colors of sharpies or markers, optional (note, washable markers will rub off)
- Key Ring Loop, Twist Tie, or Pipe Cleaner, optional

Note: Multiple people can take turns with one template, if needed, but one per crafter is best. For young children, a parent might want to complete the tracing portion for the child, possibly in advance, so the child can enjoy coloring on the foil.

Cut out the Miraculous Medal template. Trace around the template onto a sheet of fun foam, paperboard, or cardboard, and cut that out as well.



Use heavy duty foil if possible. Handle it carefully so it doesn't get any unwanted creases in it. We found that cutting it with scissors rather than using the built in foil-tearing-thingy helped keep the foil smooth. Cut the foil into an oval that's a little larger than your fun foam or cardboard oval, and wrap around the back, keeping the front smooth.

Lightly tape your Miraculous Medal template onto your foil to keep it in place. Trace the picture with your dull pencil using good pressure to dent the foil underneath. *Hint- using a colored pencil may help your child better see where she has or hasn't traced yet.*

When you're finished, cut the tape to release the template. Don't pull at the tape, because you don't want to crinkle your foil. Repeat with the back of the medal.

You can totally stop right here! I mean, most Miraculous Medals are just silver anyways, and up to this point, it's very hard to mess up this craft- lol! Just glue the front and the back together (we used a hot glue gun)

We also punched holes in the top of the foil with a hole puncher, and laced a key ring through it.

If you'd like to craft something a little more eye-catching, you can color your big Miraculous Medal with sharpies. Just use the side of them and don't push down so hard that you puncture the foil.

