

Fifth Sunday of Easter Gospel Guide: Sunday, May 10, 2020

Welcome & Prayer (5 mins)

Prayer

Almighty ever-living God, constantly accomplish the Paschal Mystery within us, that those you were pleased to make new in Holy Baptism may, under your protective care, bear much fruit and come to the joys of life eternal.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.

Open the eyes of our mind that we may understand the teachings of Your Gospel.

Our Father

Icebreaker-Word Link

This is a word association game. Have everyone sit in a circle. The first person starts with any word they wish i.e. red. The next person repeats the first word and adds another word which links to the first i.e. tomato. The next person repeats the previous word and add another word link i.e. soup, and so on. To keep this moving, only allow 5 seconds for each word link. See how many linking words your family can get.

Check In

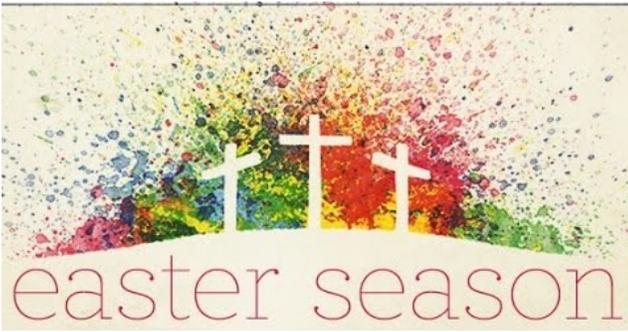
How did we do on last week's commitment? Did we accomplish it?

Proclaim Gospel: John 14:1-12 (10 mins)

Jesus said to his disciples: "Do not let your hearts be troubled. You have faith in God; have faith also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If there were not, would I have told you that I am going to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back again and take you to myself, so that where I am you also may be. Where I am going you know the way." Thomas said to him, "Master, we do not know where you are going; how can we know the way?" Jesus said to him, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, then you will also know my Father. From now on you do know him and have seen him." Philip said to him, "Master, show us the Father, and that will be enough for us." Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you for so long a time and you still do not know me, Philip? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I speak to you I do not speak on my own. The Father who dwells in me is doing his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me, or else, believe because of the works themselves. Amen, amen, I say to you, whoever believes in me will do the works that I do, and will do greater ones than these, because I am going to the Father."

Silence, let people reflect, Wait some time here & watch the Video on Formed.org

Proclaim Gospel again followed by silence



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Questions (20-25 mins)

1. What does this passage/reading say to you?
Or what struck you?
2. What does it mean when Jesus says "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me."?
3. If you were one of the Apostles, how would you react if Jesus said these words to you?
I.E. confused, upset, ah ha moment-meaning it is all coming together now, frustrated etc.
4. Jesus is "The Way" ...does your way align with THE WAY? How can you recommit or refocus on following THE WAY?
5. Why do you think Christ invites us to trust in him when our hearts are troubled, instead of just making sure that our hearts never get troubled in the first place?
6. How is your heart troubled? Where do you need Christ's peace?

Commitment (5-10 mins)

Make a commitment that your family can do together this week or individually.

Examples: Make a Marian altar and crown Mary, Pray the rosary together as a family, Give praise to your kids' teachers, Call the Parish office to see if you could volunteer somehow

May is the month of the Rosary, Creative Beginnings Month, Family Wellness month, Get Caught Reading Month, Global Health and Fitness Month, Homeschool awareness Month, Military Appreciation Month, National BBQ Month, National Bicycling Month, and National Family Month

Closing Prayer

Pope Francis' Prayer to Mary during the coronavirus pandemic

O Mary, you always shine on our path as a sign of salvation and of hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who at the cross took part in Jesus' pain, keeping your faith firm. You, Salvation of the Roman People, know what we need, and we are sure you will provide so that, as in Cana of Galilee, we may return to joy and to feasting after this time of trial. Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform to the will of the Father and to do as we are told by Jesus, who has taken upon himself our sufferings and carried our sorrows to lead us, through the cross, to the joy of the resurrection. Amen.

Under your protection, we seek refuge, Holy Mother of God. Do not disdain the entreaties of we who are in trial, but deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin.

MARY, Mother of Jesus, Intercede for all our needs.

Say your Intercessions

Hail Mary... Glory Be...