



ST. JOSEPH PARISH

THE JESUIT PARISH IN SEATTLE

Sunday, May 9, 2021 * Sixth Sunday of Easter * www.stjosephparish.org



6th SUNDAY OF EASTER

"It was not you who chose me, but I who chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit that will remain, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name he may give you. This I command you: love one another." - Jn 15:16-17

**SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
MAY 9, 2021**

**Livestream Mass: 5pm Saturday
on our YouTube channel
(Available for viewing throughout the week)
9:30 AM Sunday
5:30 PM Sunday**

**Weekday Mass Schedule
Tuesday - Friday, 7 am, YouTube**

Readings for May 16, 2021

FIRST READING: ACTS 1:1-11

SECOND READING: EPHESIANS 4:1-13

GOSPEL: MARK 16:15-20

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Call For Writers & Artists - Share Your Stories with the Parish



As a community of faith, in a society slowly re-emerging from a global pandemic, it can be hard to reconnect with friends and church family. During lockdown, we often felt isolated, and we crave connection, especially with other families in the parish.

That's why we're starting a new series in the bulletin: **Community Reflections**. This is your chance to help each other connect through written reflections, photographs, visual art, and other mediums. You can write a short article about the week's readings, a reflection on worship during the pandemic, hopes for the future, share photos of what your family has been doing at home, or returning to church – the possibilities are endless!

If you're interested in contributing, contact Mark at markp@stjosephparish.org He will coordinate schedules and provide editing help, if you wish.

Let's use this opportunity to grow closer as a community!

A Note about Parish Emails

For years, scammers and bots have been harvesting online information (such as our website) and sending out emails or text messages purporting to be from the leader of the faith community saying he needs you to do something. When you respond back asking what he needs, it asks you to send money in some way, such as gift card codes to help someone in need.

The easiest way to tell this is not Fr. Matthew, Fr. Glen, or Deacon Steve is that they would not ask anyone to send money in this fashion under any circumstances. Additionally, they never come from our email domain - @stjosephparish.org, but are often something like frpyrc.stjosephparish@gmail.com. Sometimes they send out texts stating this is so-and-so's new cell number.

Please never send money to anyone claiming to be from St. Joseph Parish except through our website and online OSV giving platforms that are linked through the website.

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Entrance Song

Introit For Easter 6

Macek/Tate

Spread the good news with a joyful voice, O let it be heard, Alleluia!
Spread the good news to the ends of the earth: the Lord has freed his people. Alleluia!

Gloria

Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace
to people of good will.

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| 1. We praise you,
we bless you,
we adore you,
we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father. | 3. For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.
Amen. |
| 2. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us. | |

First Reading

Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48

When Peter entered, Cornelius met him and, falling at his feet, paid him homage. Peter, however, raised him up, saying, "Get up. I myself am also a human being."

Then Peter proceeded to speak and said, "In truth, I see that God shows no partiality. Rather, in every nation whoever fears him and acts uprightly is acceptable to him."

While Peter was still speaking these things, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who were listening to the word. The circumcised believers who had accompanied Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit should have been poured out on the Gentiles also, for they could hear them speaking in tongues and glorifying God. Then Peter responded, "Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people, who have received the Holy Spirit even as we have?" He ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ.

Psalm

Psalm 98

Guimont

"The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power"

Second Reading

1 John 4:7-10

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is of God; everyone who loves is begotten by God and knows God. Whoever is without love does not know God, for God is love. In this way the love of God was revealed to us: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might have life through him. In this is love: not that we have loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as expiation for our sins.

Gospel Acclamation

"Alleluia!"

Gospel

John 15:9-17

Jesus said to his disciples: "As the Father loves me, so I also love you. Remain in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and remain in his love.

"I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and your joy might be complete. This is my commandment: love one another as I love you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I no longer call you slaves, because a slave does not know what his master is doing. I have called you friends, because I have told you everything I have heard from my Father. It was not you who chose me, but I who chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit that will remain, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name he may give you. This I command you: love one another.

Offertory Song

Where Charity and Love Prevail

Benoit

Holy, Holy, Holy

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

Mystery of Faith

Save us savior of the world,
for by your cross and resurrection, you have set us free.

Great Amen

Amen

Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
grant us peace.

Communion

Christians, Let Us Love One Another

Foltz SNJM & Nigro SJ

"Everyone who loves is born of God. Jesus is our life. God is love"

Recessional

Joyful, Joyful We Adore You

Van Dyke/Beethoven

PARISH LIFE

Young Adult Community Events

St. Joe's Young Adult Hike

Saturday, May 15th

In Person: Snoquera Falls and Moss Lake

Please join us on a delightful hiking adventure to not just one, but two fantastic destinations, on the 3.5-mile Snoquera Falls and Moss Lake Trail. Anyone who's interested can also gather for post-hike lunch and drinks, with a particular food location TBD at this time.

Please email youngadultcommunity@stjosephparish.org if you're interested in joining!



Bad Jimmy's Brewing Happy Hour

Friday, May 21st 6pm-8pm

In Person: 4358 Leary Way NW B, Seattle, WA 98107

We will be gathering in camaraderie at Bad Jimmy's Brewing on Friday May 21st. Please join us for a few drinks and great conversation, and not to mention the wonderful food options nearby that you can purchase and bring into the Brewery.

After-Mass Summer Picnic

Sunday, May 23rd 7pm-8:30pm

In Person: St. Joe's

Join us Sunday, May 23, at 6:30 PM for the young adult picnic! The picnic will be at St. Joe's, and snacks and beverages will be provided. We are observing all COVID-safe precautions and will have badminton and croquet. For details or questions, please contact youngadultcommunity@stjosephparish.org

Sister Parish Update

We have a major update regarding our Sister Parish in Arcatao, El Salvador. After 16 years as pastor at San Bartolomé, Padre Miguel, who many of us have met and love, is transitioning to a new assignment this summer.

The bishop and provincial are changing his position amid questions Padre Miguel raised about election irregularities in recent local elections. The St. Joseph Sister Parish Committee wrote a letter in support of Padre Miguel, and received a response from the Provincial, which indicates that the decision is final. (Please see the [Sister Parish website www.stjosephparish.org/4007/sister-parish.html](http://www.stjosephparish.org/4007/sister-parish.html) for both the letter from the Sister Parish Committee and the response from the Provincial.)

Padre Miguel is optimistic about his next assignment, time with his home community, and a possible sabbatical to write his memoirs. His successor will be Padre Juan José Colato, SJ who is currently serving in Managua, Nicaragua. Originally from Honduras, Padre Colato was pastor of San Bartolomé for approximately 4 years in the early 1990's, prior to Padre Miguel's tenure. Padre Miguel has told us that he is very happy that Padre Juan José will be taking over at San Bartolomé Parish.

Padre Miguel will be sorely missed. He has served in the spirit of Archbishop Romero and has been a faithful friend to St. Joseph. There will be a celebration in Arcatao in his honor on May 22nd, organized by the San Bartolomé Parish. More details about how you can participate will be forthcoming!

If you would like to send a personal note to Padre Miguel, please email your note (as a word document so that it can be translated) to: sisterparish@stjosephparish.org no later than May 16th so that it can be translated and sent in time for the May 22 celebration.

St. Joseph Parish Sister Parish Committee



Padre Miguel

LITURGY & WORSHIP

Community Rosary Reflections

“The Rosary”

Praying the Rosary is the invitation to pray in solidarity with others, especially those who have gone before us, like my parents in Montana and relatives in Minnesota who were devoted to this familiar prayer to Mary, especially as Our Lady of Perpetual Help. It is a prayer in solidarity with the Lovers of the Holy Cross in Hue, Vietnam, where I helped the student sisters practice their English by leading us in a reflection on each mystery of the Rosary. It is a prayer in solidarity of remembrance of all our ancestors for whom we have prayed over the years. During this year of pandemic, the Rosary, as a prayer in solidarity, is an invitation to the grace to be with others in virtual prayer and shared conversations.

~Sister Mary Annette Dworshak, SNJM

Join us to say the Rosary every Tuesday at 2pm, on Zoom.

All are welcome! Email stevew@stjosephparish.org for the Zoom link.

First Communion - May 15th & 16th

Please note that St. Joe's will be celebrating First Communions during weekend Masses on May 15th and 16th. This may mean higher attendance - please arrive early and be prepared for a full church. (The attendee limit is still 125 people.)

Congratulations to the Newly Baptized!

Carter Gene Leland

James Nicholas Padden

Saila Aurara Remala Dorner

Colton He

Pastoral Transition at St. Joseph

Answers to some frequently-asked questions.

What does this mean for St. Joe's?

Deacon Steve will be the Pastoral Coordinator, for up to a year, while Jesuits West, with significant input from our parish, identifies a new Pastor. During this time, we will have the opportunity to collect ideas from you about what the parish needs in a Pastor and communicate that to the Jesuits West province.

What is a Pastoral Coordinator, anyway?

A pastoral coordinator is defined as “a deacon, religious or lay ecclesial minister appointed by the Archbishop under the supervision of a priest moderator and entrusted with the day-to-day leadership of a parish.” (The priest moderator will be Fr. Gary Zender, a Seattle priest who supervises the Pastoral Coordinator, but is rarely involved with the day-to-day operations or decisions of a parish.) Deacon Steve will fulfill many of the roles and responsibilities that Glen held, except for certain sacramental duties reserved only for priests.

Who will say Mass? Will we get additional priests?

First of all, Fr. Matthew isn't going anywhere! He will continue to serve as Parochial Vicar at St. Joe's. To help lighten the load, 2 to 4 Jesuit priests from Seattle U and Seattle Prep will rotate sacramental responsibilities.

Where is Glen going? Can I get in contact with him?

As outlined in the letter he sent to parishioners on April 21st, Glen is taking a leave of absence to discern his future. (If you are a registered parishioner and did not receive this letter, please contact Mark – markp@stjosephparish.org) You can drop off any gifts or letters with Renee or Mark at the Parish Center, and we will make sure he receives them.

What's next?

We will miss Glen – he is beloved at the Parish, and not only guided the community through a global pandemic, but also laid the groundwork for a new vision of lay leadership, beginning with a new Pastoral and Mission Council. All of us at the parish – staff, councils, and commissions – are committed to continuing to fulfill this vision of lay leadership, and we have full confidence that Deacon Steve will provide stable, forward-looking leadership in the months to come. If you have questions or would like to discuss this news, please reach out to any of the staff. You are also encouraged to contact the Parish Pastoral and Mission Council – email pastoralandmissioncouncil@stjosephparish.org

JESUIT CONNECTIONS

Ignatian Solidarity Network

The Ignatian Solidarity Network (ISN) is [administering a survey](#) that will assist them in better comprehending the contexts of race, equity, and justice at and within our network of Jesuit and Catholic institutions (parishes, secondary schools, and colleges and universities). [The survey is also available in Spanish.](#)

[This survey is anonymous and will take approximately 15 minutes to complete.](#) Your truthful and thoughtful responses will play a significant role in shaping their work on racial justice for the coming years. More information at www.ignatiansolidarity.net



ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL

St. Joseph Party on the Hill: Join the planning team!

St. Joe's Party on the Hill is a fun new event for St. Joseph School, Parish, Alumni and neighbors on Saturday, September 11, 2021. There will be food trucks, entertainment, rides, games, and more!

We are looking for people to join the planning team for Party on the Hill. Interested? The next meeting will be on Thursday, May 13 at 11:00 AM via zoom. Contact Jeanine Benham-Jones at jbenhamjones@stjosephsea.org for more information or to join the team.



CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION

Youth Ministry: Volunteers Needed

Youth Ministry Volunteers are needed to build next year's high school youth ministry program. We are looking to build a new model for high school youth ministry at St. Joseph. Volunteers are needed to work with a starter group of kids and parents to shape a new program. Volunteers must be faithful and excited to spend time with our youth!

Contact Claire Hansen to talk about volunteering: claireh@stjosephparish.org



Team Members Needed for Middle School Confirmation on Sundays

Are you looking to make a difference in the faith life of a teenager at St. Joseph Parish? Volunteers are needed for the Middle School Confirmation Team, which will meet about 3 times a month from October through February. The program will be open to students from 7-8th grade and will meet on Sunday afternoons. It will also include a retreat (day) and some service experiences (1/2 day).

When you show up in the life of a young person as a mentor in the faith, they feel valued and welcomed in the parish but also in the Catholic Church as a whole. Middle schoolers are navigating issues of self-esteem, social and emotional upheaval in their friendship groups and activities, physical changes, rising expectations in school, as well as the challenge to begin forming a mature faith. It is vital that these youth have role models in the faith during these critical times. Please contact Claire (claireh@stjosephparish.org) if you'd like more information or if you'd like to talk about volunteering.

Teachers Needed for Faith Formation Classes on Sunday Mornings

This opportunity is about helping children come to know God and God's love for them and all of creation. Our Sunday morning program offers Sacramental Preparation classes for 1st and 2nd graders every other Sunday (2 Sundays each month). We are looking to begin online in the fall and then continue in person next spring.

A person does not need to be an experienced teacher to volunteer. We have a curriculum for these classes and we also encourage our staff to be creative. Please contact Claire (claireh@stjosephparish.org) if you'd like more information or if you'd like to talk about volunteering. Thank you for considering!

High School Youth Ministry Listening Sessions

All high schoolers and their parents are invited to attend 1 of the following listening sessions this spring and early summer.

- **Monday May 10, 7pm on Zoom**
- **Monday, May 24, 7pm on Zoom**
- **Sunday June 6, 11am St. Joseph Church**

Sign up at: <https://forms.gle/Y8CotexSLeulc2pL8> or contact Claire (claireh@stjosephparish.org) for the link.



Join us for a special
in-person high school
youth Mass, celebrated
at St. Joseph Parish by
Fr. Matthew Pyrc, SJ

April 22nd, 7pm

Celebrating Earth Day

May 20th, 7pm

Celebrating the Month of Mary



Music by Fr. Greg Celio, SJ
and Fr. Ryan Rallanka, SJ

To register,
email Claire Hansen:
claireh@stjosephparish.org

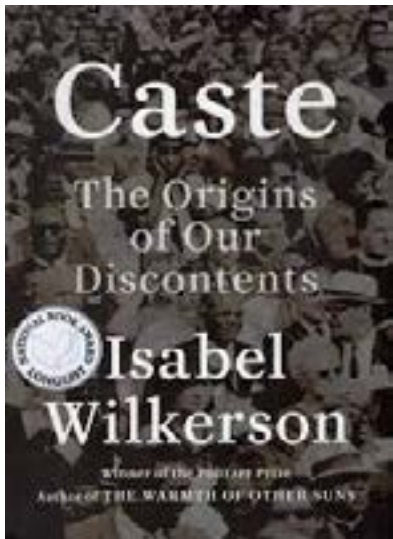
These Masses will be webcast on our YouTube channel

FAITH JUSTICE

Racial Justice Book Group Zoom Meeting

Please join us Wednesday, May 12 at 7PM on Zoom for a discussion of *Caste: The Origins of Our Discontents* by Isabel Wilkerson. "In this brilliant book, Isabel Wilkerson gives us a masterful portrait of an unseen phenomenon in America as she explores, through an immersive, deeply researched narrative and stories about real people, how America today and throughout its history has been shaped by a hidden caste system, a rigid hierarchy of human rankings." (From bookbrowse.com)

To receive the Zoom link, please contact racialjustice-bookgroup@stjosephparish.org.



Facing Homelessness: Volunteers Needed!

Looking for a simple way to help our houseless brothers and sisters? St. Joe's is teaming up with Facing Homelessness to stock their "Window of Kindness," a drop-in supply and food distribution site.

We need: **Sandwich chefs** – we need a total of 72 sandwiches (you don't have to make them all!) delivered to St. Joe's by Monday evening each week.

Snack collectors - At the Window of Kindness, Facing Homelessness also distributes Individually packaged chips, nuts, granola bars, cookies along with pop-top cans of soup, ravioli, etc. Deliver bags of these items to the hospitality room by Monday evening each week.

Delivery drivers – pick up sandwiches at St. Joe's on Tuesday mornings and deliver them to Facing Homelessness.

For more information or to sign up, contact Deacon Steve at steve@stjosephparish.org or 206-965-1646.



St. Joseph Day at Nurturing Roots: Thank You!

A huge thanks to everyone who donated veggie starts and volunteered their time at Nurturing Roots on April 17th. It was a huge success – we dropped off dozens of starts and learned about urban farming and gardening (and met some chickens!). More than two dozen folks from the parish and school visited the farm that day, and donated enough veggie starts to completely fill the new greenhouse!

Upcoming opportunities: **on May 23rd**, parishioners will have the opportunity to assemble a few pre-ordered "Grow Boxes" and deliver them to the Nurturing Roots community. Contact Mark at markp@stjosephparish.org for more information.





Adult Faith Formation Series: Catholicism 101



Tuesday Nights via Zoom
May 4 through June 8
7:00-8:30 PM

Topics Covered

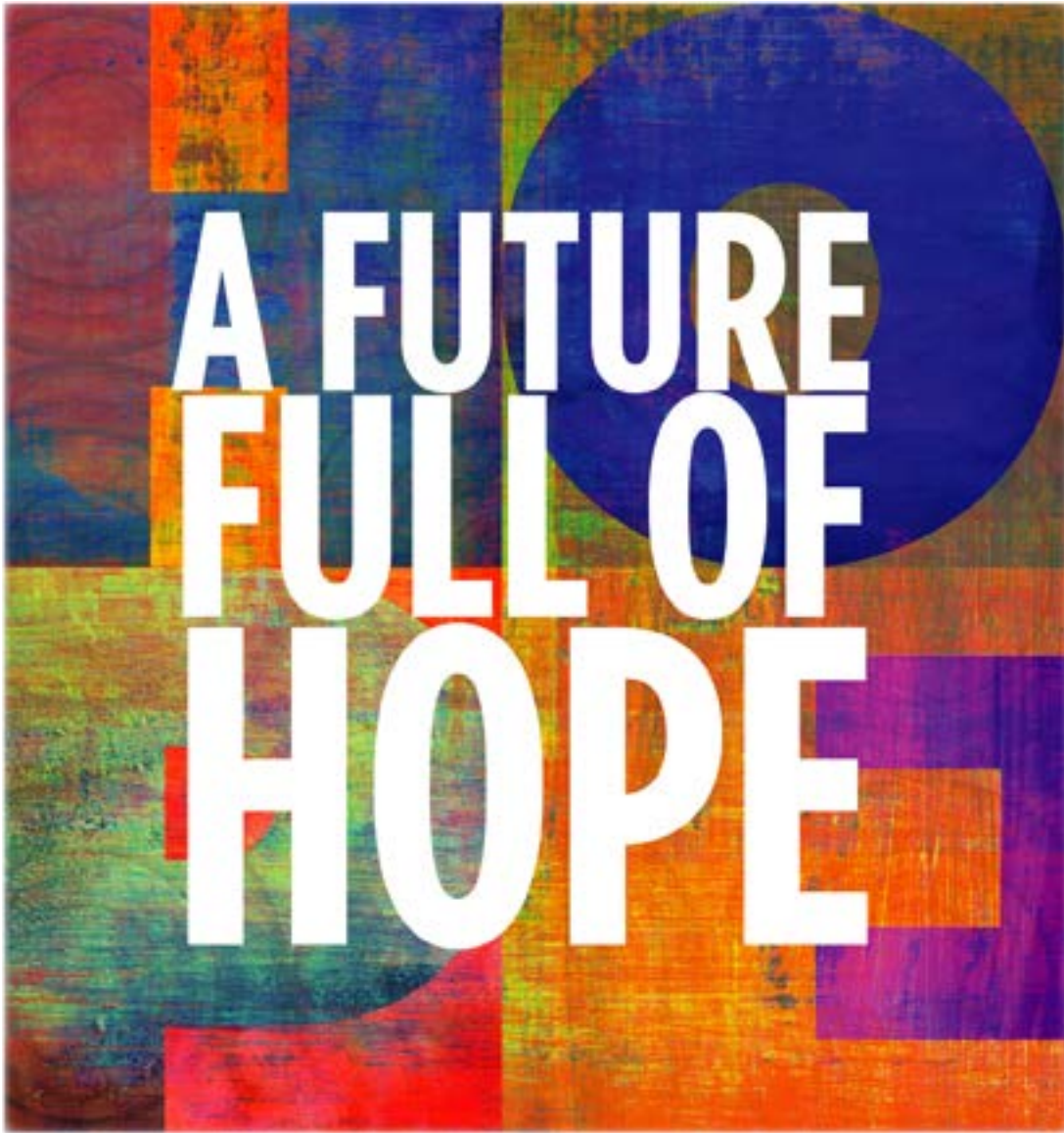
- Faith, Desire for God & The Creed
- Jesus and Incarnational Theology
- Catholics & the Bible
- Sacraments
- Catholic Social Teaching
- Mary & the Saints

About the Series:

This 6 week series is intended for both Catholics and Non-Catholics who are seeking a better understanding of the basic tenants of Catholic Teaching. There will be a balance of content, group discussion, and an integration of various Catholic Prayer styles to help nurture your faith journey.

**To sign up or for more information email or call Theresa @
theresal@stjosephparish.org or 206-965-1651**

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL



Annual Catholic Appeal

The Annual Catholic Appeal is on. We are now in our third week of the Annual Catholic Appeal Campaign, and we have raised \$13,695 so far towards our goal. Please fill out a pledge envelope today or donate online-the web address is on the pledge envelopes located in the pew. And if you cannot give this year, please participate by keeping the efforts of the Appeal in your prayers. Thank you!

If you have already made your gift to the Appeal, thank you! If not, please return your pledge envelope today or donate online - www.archseattle.org/acadonate. Thank you!



THE MAGIS FAMILY FORMATION PROJECT

HONORING MARY, THE HOLY SPIRIT, AND PENTECOST

MAY 2021



During the month of May we hear a wonderful passage about a living vine. Jesus explains to us that He is the vine and we are the branches. We are connected to Jesus through His teachings and the sacraments. May is also dedicated to Mary. As the first disciple, Mary shows us how to live a life connected to Jesus (the Vine). Sometimes people ask “*Do Catholics worship Mary?*” St. Louis Marie de Grignion wrote a book to clarify this -- [we worship God alone, praise the saints, and honor Mary for her unique role](#). Coming up on Sunday, May 23 is the Feast of Pentecost. We celebrate the Holy Spirit filling the disciples’ hearts and minds to what God was ready to have them do - bring Jesus’ message to all.

PRAYER CORNER: NEW PRAYERS TO TRY AS A FAMILY...

An Easter Examen

1. Give Thanks.

I thank God for this day, for my life, for all I am and have, for His Son’s sacrifice and Resurrection.

2. Pray for Light.

I ask the Father to let me see my day as the Holy Spirit sees it, and to show me what I need to see to bring light to myself and others.

3. Find God.

I look at my day in the light of the Spirit. I look at what I have done and not done.

Where have I found God? Where have I seen signs of Resurrection?

4. Anything Wrong?

Have I ignored God? Have I neglected God’s gifts or forgotten Jesus’ suffering? Where have I pleased others instead of pleasing God? I express my sorrow to God and repent of my sins.

5. What Now?

I look forward in hope, that Jesus summons out the best I can be. What am I to do now? How can I let Jesus’ love shine out through me? What do I have to avoid?

The Memorare

Ask Jesus’ Mother, Mary to pray with you and intercede for you. There are many traditional prayers to ask for Mary’s help while you pray.

The Memorare is a prayer that reminds us we have a wonderful advocate and protector in Our Lady.

*Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary,
That never was it known that*

*anyone who fled to thy protection,
implored thy help,
or sought thy intercession*

was left unaided.

*Inspired with this confidence,
I fly unto thee, O Virgin of virgins, my Mother.*

*To thee do I come,
before thee I stand,
sinful and sorrowful.*

*O Mother of the Word Incarnate,
despise not my petitions,
but in thy mercy hear and answer me.
Amen.*

SCRIPTURE SNACKS: TALK WITH YOUR CHILDREN ABOUT THIS MONTH’S READINGS

Sunday May 2 “*I am the true vine; my Father is the vine grower. I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit, because without me you can do nothing.*”

John 15: 1-8.

- Jesus tells us He is the Son of God (the vine grower). If we make our home in Jesus’ heart, He will make his home in our heart and we will bear much fruit. (We will do good deeds-without Jesus in our hearts we cannot do good deeds.)

Sunday May 9: *"I have chosen and appointed you to go and bear fruit." John 15:12-17*

- Jesus says if we love each other as Jesus loves us, the world will know we are Christians as we do our good deeds. He also says we can ask God our Father for anything in Jesus' name and it may be given to us.

FAITH FUN-IVITIES: CRAFTS AND CHALLENGES TO EXPLORE WITH YOUR CHILDREN THIS MONTH

Wind Fire and Still, Small Voice:

The Holy Spirit is like the wind, a flame and a still small voice.

- Take a walk in the wind. How does the wind remind you of the Holy Spirit...
- Light a candle, how is the flame like the Holy Spirit reflected in your family? **Whisper** a quiet loving message, how is that like the Holy Spirit?
- The Holy Spirit empowers us to reflect on Jesus' teachings, to grow the gifts of spirit within ourselves.

Make a Tongue of Fire Headband:



Draw a flame with "hot" colors like the one shown, cut it out, and staple to a strip of paper for the headband.

Make a Holy Spirit Banner:



Use a white piece of construction paper and glue it onto a larger piece of paper (such as wrapping paper of your choice). Make sure there is a border of wrapping paper around the white sheet. Also leave a large border at the bottom so you can scallop or fringe the edge of the border.

Decorate the white sheet with a dove, tongues of fire, and creative wind designs.

There are GIFTS and FRUITS of the Holy Spirit?!?

"But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law." Galatians 5:22



Make a Fruits of the Spirit Basket: Draw fruit on construction paper and cut out and write the different fruits of the Spirit on each fruit. Place the fruit in a basket or draw a basket on construction paper and glue them to the created basket.

Video Prayers to Honor Mary!

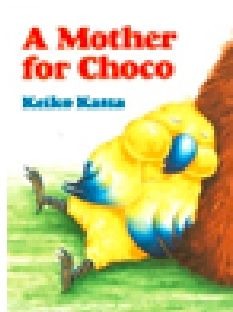
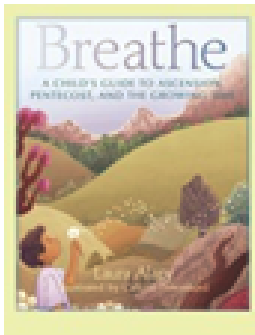
Playlist of youtube videos celebrating Mary

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL5sexwzkyqUWfv8cgIVoeMgjBWwKz8j1e>

Pray a decade of the rosary each day.

Watch the video: "How to Pray the Rosary in 2 Minutes" on [youtube.com](https://www.youtube.com)

SPIRITUAL STORIES WITH YOUR CHILDREN THIS MONTH



A Mother for Choco

By Keiko Kasza ... Choco is looking for a mother and finds a most unexpected mother. Great book that emphasises that families come in all shapes and sizes and that mothers are mothers because of the love they share.

Breathe, A Child's guide to Ascension, Pentecost and the Growing Time

By Laura Alary... Explores the comings and goings of Jesus and the Spirit through retellings of the biblical stories of Ascension and Pentecost, interwoven with contemporary reflections from the point of view of a child. Recommended for 5-10 yrs.

The Lion the Witch and the Wardrobe

By C.S. Lewis... This classic fantasy is a wonderful resurrection story. If your child is a graphic novel enthusiast they might like to try the graphic version of the book by Robin Lawrie. This story is also available as a movie on Disney+ and to stream on Amazon!

A World Together (National Geographic)

By Sonia Manzano... The author plays *Sesame Street*'s beloved character Maria. She combines lyrical prose and photographs of people around the world in this picture book about how, despite superficial differences, we are all the same.

Channel Kindness: Stories of Kindness and Community

By The Born This Way Foundation reporters, with Lady Gaga... This volume collects inspiring true stories of young people who made a difference through acts of kindness. Ages 12–18.

Coloring Pages!

Fruit of the Spirit Coloring Page

<https://ministry-to-children.com/fruit-of-the-spirit-coloring-pages>

Rosary Coloring Page

<https://coloringhome.com/coloring-page/1740926?album=rosary-coloring-page-for-kids>

Plant a Vine!

Plant a vine: <https://www.gardeningknowhow.com/special/children/beanstalk-gardening-lesson.htm>