

## At Home Program Week # 23 March 3, 2024

For I know well the plans I have in mind for you—oracle of the LORD—plans for your welfare and not for woe, so as to give you a future of hope. - Jeremiah 29:11

## Gospel...John 3:14-21...Come to the Light

An adaption of the Sunday Gospel.

**Narrator**: A man named Nicodemus comes to Jesus at night. Nicodemus is a Pharisee. He believes that Jesus is a teacher who comes from God. He wants to understand why Jesus has come.

**Jesus 1:** The Son of Man must be lifted up, so that everyone who believes in him will live with God forever.

**Narrator:** Jesus is talking about when he be lifted up on the Cross, die, and rise from the dead.

**Jesus 2:** God loves the world so much that he gave his only Son to become one of us. Everyone who believes in him will live with God forever.

**Jesus 3:** God did not send his Son to punish the world. God wants to save the world through his Son.

**Jesus 4:** People choose to believe in God's Son or not to believe in him.

**Jesus 5:** The light has come into the world. Some people like the darkness because they do bad things. They hate the light because the light shines on their unloving choices. Everyone can see the bad things they do.

**Jesus 6:** People who do what is true and good choose to live in the light. The light shows that they are obeying God's law.

**Narrator**: Later, after Jesus has died on the Cross, Nicodemus helps to bury him. This is done in the light of day.

## **Gospel Reflection Question**

- 1. Why did Jesus come to Nicodemus come to Jesus at night?
- 2. How is Jesus like light?
- 3. What kinds of choices do people who live in the light make?

**Together in Jesus...My First Eucharist Lesson 6...**since this Lesson focuses on your child(ren)'s First Communion Mass...I am giving you an activities that focus on what happens at Mass.

We'll be in **Together in Jesus...Lesson 6 My Family Activity and Memory Book** for the final week.

**Directions**: Cut each strip and glue the parts of the Introductory Rites in the correct order on construction paper.

The priest reads an opening prayer.

The priest begins with the Sign of the Cross.

We say "Amen" and sit down.

We say we are sorry to God with the "Lord, have mercy."

The priest, deacon, and altar servers walk down the aisle.

We say or sing The Gloria.

We stand and begin to sing a song for the procession.

**Directions**: Cut each strip and glue the parts of the Liturgy of the Word in the correct order on construction paper.

We sing the Responsorial Psalm.

We recite the prayer, The Creed.

The lector reads the First Reading from the Old Testament.

The priest, or deacon, reads the Gospel.

We pray for others during the Prayers of the Faithful.

The priest gives a talk called the Homily.

The lector reads the Second Reading from the New Testament.

**Directions**: Cut each strip and glue the parts of the Liturgy of the Eucharist in the correct order on construction paper.

The priest blesses the gifts of bread and wine with special prayers.

During the Consecration, the priest takes the bread and wine and says the words that Jesus said at the Last Supper.

The bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ.

We pray to Jesus and ask Him for His forgiveness and peace in the prayer,

Lamb of God.

We end the Eucharistic Prayer with the Great Amen.

During the Offertory, we give gifts of money to the church and the poor.

We pray the *Our Father* and participate in the sign of peace.

We pray the most important prayer in the Mass. This prayer is called the *Eucharistic Prayer*.

We receive Jesus' Body and Blood in Holy Communion.

**Directions**: Cut each strip and glue the parts of the Concluding Rites in the correct order on construction paper.

The priest or deacon says, "Go in peace to love and serve the Lord."

The priest offers the blessing, "May Almighty God bless you, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit."

We say "Thanks be to God."

After the final blessing and we say "Amen."

The priest, deacon, and altar servers walk down the aisle.

We wait until the priest walks down the aisle before leaving our pew.

We sing a song at the end of the Mass.

## Parts of the Mass

Word Search!



- Prayers
- Offerings
- Homily
- Wine
- Gospel

- · Reading
- Preface
- Psalm
- Creed
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- Acclamation
- Eucharistic
- testament
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