Family and Parish-Based Catechesis Office



Archdiocese of Adelaide

Family Liturgy – The Most Holy Trinity (Year A) Sunday 7 June 2020

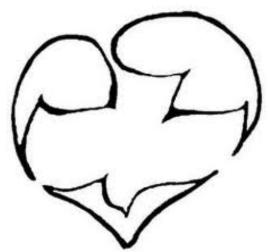
Preparing the prayer space

Place a white cloth on the table or floor (white, for the solemnity of the Holy Trinity).

Place a cross, a bible and a candle on it. Some holy water if you have some or a bowl with water as a reminder of our baptism. Light the candle or use a battery-operated candle for safety. Add any other symbols relevant to your family and of the Holy Trinity (e.g. an apple cut in the middle).

Prepare materials

You tube as listed on sheet: Gospel stories and song Suggested activities: your choice or other related activity on sheet Print out sheet if required



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Gather around the prayer space as a family

Parent/Caregiver: Today we celebrate the feast of the Most Holy Trinity; Father, Son and Holy Spirit. We hear that we need to have faith and believe in God to be saved and have eternal life. We join ourselves to Jesus and listen to what he is asking of us today.

Opening prayer: God of families and togetherness, we give you thanks for sending Jesus and the Holy Spirit to us so we could understand how much you love us. Help us to hear Jesus' words to us and to believe in them. Help us to grow in our faith in you every day so to have eternal life. Help us now to listen to your Word to us. We make our prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Gospel: A reading from the holy gospel according to John (3: 16-18)

All: Glory to you O, Lord

Jesus told Nicodemus:

"God loved the people of this world so much that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who has faith in him will have eternal life and never die.

God did not send his Son into the world to condemn its people. He sent him to save them!"

The gospel of the Lord. All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ. (Gospel text © Lectionary for Masses with Children (1993) Catholic Book Publishing Co. New York)

Prayerfully watch the Gospel story of Jesus with Nicodemus. <u>https://youtu.be/wEgxNlqqqY0?list=TLPQMTEwNTlwMjAaR98bJ3I1JQ</u> <u>#SundaySchool #SundaySchoolLessons</u> #ShareFaith Nicodemus Reborn - John 3 | Sunday School Lessons for Kids |HD| ShareFaithkids.com (4.21 mins).

Gospel reflection and time of sharing:

I wonder how Nicodemus felt as Jesus was talking to him.

I wonder how Nicodemus felt when Jesus told him that God loved everyone so much?

I wonder how Nicodemus felt when Jesus told him that that God had given his only Son to save the world?

I wonder how Nicodemus felt when Jesus told him that everyone who has faith in him will have eternal life and never die?

I wonder how Nicodemus felt when Jesus told him that God did not send him into the world to condemn people but to save them?

I wonder if Nicodemus was happy when Jesus said that God did not want to condemn people? I wonder what Jesus is asking of me today?

Parent/Caregiver:

Let us pray quietly and listen to Jesus' message to us. Let us think of how we can tell others about Jesus.

(pause for a moment)

Let us share with each other, one way in which we can tell others about Jesus.

Intercessions: Let us now spend some time in prayer asking God to listen to our needs. *(We respond to the prayers by repeating the words 'Lord, hear our prayer')*

1 We pray for Pope Francis, Archbishop Pat, and all Church leaders: that we may tell the Good News of the Gospel to everyone and make new disciples of Jesus. May everyone see the Holy Spirit at work in us leading everyone to God the Father. Lord, hear us.

2 We pray for all people in our parishes who are lonely, especially during this time; may someone from the community reach out to them so that they may know that Jesus does not abandon anyone. Lord, here us.

3 We pray for people in our world who are suffering in any way at this time: may they always feel the presence of Jesus in their lives. Lord, hear us.

4 We pray for all people who have died recently and especially for people we know and love: that they will find eternal life in the name of Jesus Christ. Lord, hear us.

Closing prayer: God of families and togetherness, we believe in your love – your love created the world. We believe in your love – your love sent Jesus to live with us on earth. We believe in your love – your love sent the Holy Spirit to breathe life through us. Amen.

Closing song: <u>https://youtu.be/JbO7dMjfz4w</u> Eternal Life (John 3:16) Lyrics -- Seeds Family Worship or

https://youtu.be/k2iHNzNJkJw?list=TLPQMTEwNTIwMjAaR98bJ3I1JQ The Rizers- John 3:16 (For God So Loved the World)

Follow up activity suggestions after the time of prayer has come to a close.

- Write a prayer in your prayer journal (special notebook).
- Ask the children to write a prayer thanking God for loving the world so much.
- Add to this prayer journal each day.
- Act out the story of Jesus talking to Nicodemus.
- Go to <u>https://sermons4kids.com/trinity_sunday_colorpg.htm</u> for a colouring page and a crossword <u>https://sermons4kids.com/mystery_of_the_trinity_crossword.htm</u> For group activities go to <u>https://sermons4kids.com/mystery_of_the_trinity_group_activities.htm</u> and <u>https://sermons4kids.com/mystery_of_the_trinity_wordsearch.htm</u> for a wordsearch and a decoder activity <u>https://sermons4kids.com/mystery_of_the_trinity_decoder.htm</u>