



Good morning All PREP Families!

Happy Easter! HE IS RISEN! ALLELUIA!

ALL GRADES! This week: May is the Month of Mary



👉 **See the link for a collection of excellent Marian resources from Loyola Press.**

"Mary has a unique and privileged place in salvation history and in the Church. Because she responded yes to becoming the Mother of God, she is our first model of discipleship and our model of grace and trust in God."

<https://www.loyolapress.com/catholic-resources/saints/saints-activities/resource-collections/marian-resources/>

👤 **"Why Catholics Call Mary Their Mother" (Father Mike)**

https://youtu.be/pGRGv9_60il

👤 **"Mary" (Catholic Central)**

<https://youtu.be/H1G-v8rchO>

👤 **Litany of the Blessed Virgin Mary (a beautiful prayer with all of the many names of Mary)**

<https://youtu.be/XAovgQnBUj8?list=PL58g24NgWPly4HUWplqHmXz0GCEcFy5Vw>



Discovering Our Saints - St. Joseph the Worker (Feast Day - May 1st)
https://youtu.be/o6Bcs9T_fjc (video)



St. James the Lesser - Feast Day May 3
https://www.catholic.org/saints/saint.php?saint_id=356 (article)



St. Philip - Feast Day May 3
https://www.catholic.org/saints/saint.php?saint_id=312 (article)



Online Registration for the 2021-2022 PREP year is on our parish website. An email regarding PREP format went out on Friday, April 25th. (see attached letter).

 Please pray for the 23 parish children who will be receiving Jesus in Holy Communion for the first time this weekend.



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Peace be with you,

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The Vine and the Branches Easter 5B

<https://youtu.be/5rv7Ox4qWfk>

La vid y los sarmientos! Una divertida reflexión católica para niños basada en las lecturas del quinto domingo de Pascua, ciclo B

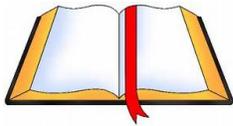
<https://youtu.be/FwsACTKCJck>

A Vinha e os Ramos! Desenho católico para crianças baseado nas leituras da Missa do 5° Domingo da Páscoa, com uma reflexão católica.

<https://youtu.be/tYtQm1zZ5Pc?list=PLbq4F9JBVbPfMcvPalxS96Q95Z6GDJ0J5>

Fifth Sunday of Easter, Cycle B

Sunday, May 2, 2021



Gospel Reading

John 15:1-8

Jesus teaches that he is the vine and that his disciples are the branches.

Family Connection

The goal of our life of prayer is to increase our awareness that Jesus lives with us always. Prayer is more than a dialogue with God; prayer is a lifting of our minds and hearts to God so that God might dwell and act within us and through us. The pinnacle of our life of prayer is our communion with Jesus in the Eucharist. Through this sacrament, we receive Jesus himself, and he remains with us. Our life of prayer and our union with Jesus will lead us to fruitful service to others.

Place a plant in your gathering space. Invite everyone to look at the plant, noting the connection between the plant and its leaves. Talk about the integral connection between all the parts of a healthy plant. Introduce today's Gospel by saying that Jesus talked about his relationship to his disciples using this metaphor. Read today's Gospel,

John 15:1-8. Talk about the ways in which we are invited to relate to Jesus as his disciples today—prayer, Scripture, the Eucharist, and so on. When we do these things, Jesus promises to remain with us and to lead us to serve others well. Pray together that we will continue to be attentive and open to Jesus as he works in our lives today. Pray together the Acts of [Faith](#), [Hope](#), and [Love](#).