



**Catechesis of the Good Shepherd  
St. Patrick Church  
Laredo TX**

April 17th, 2020

Dear Families of the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd,

May the peace and light of our risen Lord Jesus Christ reign in your hearts! We pray and hope that your loved ones and friends are well and enjoying new opportunities for family life.

Up to the present day, we have already lived a month in social distancing and we know that this could be extended even more, which means that catechesis cannot continue with the atrium sessions in the current cycle. We catechists, with faith and hope, continue (from home) thinking about the children and preparing the details for the 2020-2021 cycle. Let us remember that the purpose of the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd is to help the child to know God for himself, so by this means, we want to make a call to the Domestic Church, to that Church that we are all in each of our homes, so that we continue to promote opportunities that together with our children help us to live religious experiences at home.

In response to this time of distancing, the Association for the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd in the United States ([cgsusa.org](http://cgsusa.org)) has posted various activities and videos on its website to help parents prepare environments that invite them to meet God. We suggest you visit [www.cgsusa.org](http://www.cgsusa.org), click on the Covid-19 tab. On the page that opens, in the upper right, select the desired language, then scroll down until you find the title in a green box that says "For families - pages for parents". Here you will find a list of activities and ideas that could work as a family.

Finally, among the many changes that we have temporarily adopted is how we can live the Mass through the internet. We are blessed that our priests continue to celebrate Mass and invite us to separate that special time as a family from our homes to nourish ourselves with the word of God and unite ourselves spiritually with Jesus the Eucharist. We invite you to continue united as a church and community of St. Patrick Church.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call us. In the coming weeks, we will keep in touch and we will send you the information that we consider essential for us to continue together in this journey of faith.

We have you in our prayers, please pray for us.

Catechists of the Good Shepherd  
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