

Grade 3, Unit 4 Lessons

Lesson 13: The Word of God

Opening Prayer: [Begin and end with the Sign of the Cross]

Lord Jesus, help me to hear your Word today and everyday. Amen

Watch Video:

We have been learning about the Sacraments of the Church. This week we will start looking at the Mass, where the Sacrament of the Eucharist comes to us. There are two main parts of the Mass – the Liturgy of the Word and the Liturgy of the Eucharist. Today we will learn about the Liturgy of the Word (the first part of the Mass) where God speaks to us.

During the Liturgy of the Word we hear readings from the Bible. Watch the following video that tells the Parable of the Sower:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3FfG-Zg8wSs>

A Parable is a type of story that Jesus used to teach people. In the Parable of the Sower, Jesus was comparing the seeds that the farmer was planting to the Words that God shares with us. Just like only some seeds grew into fruitful plants, the Words of God can only grow in us if we listen and are able to receive them. This is one reason why Catholics are required to attend Mass each Sunday.

Draw a picture or write a few words to show or tell what happens when we listen to God's Words at Mass:



Activity:

At Mass, we hear different types of readings. On the worksheet below, cut out the parts of the Liturgy of the Word and put them in the right order, based on the info on p. 123. Hint: The Alleluia comes before the Gospel, and after the readings.

Final Prayer:

Before listening to the Gospel Reading (the reading about Jesus life from Mark, Matthew, Luke or John) we sing the Alleluia prayer to thank God for His words. Watch the following video and sing along: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=r6QodZbs6vl>

Name _____

Date _____

The Liturgy of the Word

Each dotted strip below has the name of a part of the Liturgy of the Word. Cut out the strips along the dotted lines. Put the parts in the correct order. Then have a partner check your answers.

Alleluia

Prayer of the Faithful

New Testament Letter

homily

Psalm

Old Testament reading

Creed

Gospel reading

Lesson 14: The Bread of Life

Opening Prayer: [Begin and end with the Sign of the Cross]

Lord Jesus, help me to be your Body on Earth in all that I do. Amen

Watch Video:

Last week we started to learn about the Mass. This week we will look at the second main part of the Mass, the Liturgy of the Eucharist, where bread and wine are changed into the Body and Blood of Christ.

During the Liturgy of the Eucharist, the priest says the words that Jesus said at His last supper, when he first created the Holy Communion. Watch this video to learn more:

The Last Supper: <https://www.dynamiccatholic.com/first-communion/blessed-program-view-first-communion-session-4-5.html>

Activity: The Blessed Sacrament

During the Liturgy of the Eucharist, at the Consecration, the bread and wine are turned into the Body and Blood of Jesus. Jesus become fully present! After the bread and wine are consecrated, or turned into Jesus, they are called the Blessed Sacrament. When we receive Holy Communion, we are receiving the Blessed Sacrament, which is Jesus Himself!

On the worksheet below, color the picture of the Consecration, and write one sentence to tell what happens during the consecration.

Final Prayer:

There are many beautiful prayers that are part of the Liturgy of the Eucharist. Let's practice one today. On p. 133 in your textbook, you will find a section called 'Giving Thanks'. Pray the prayer written there that we pray each Mass as part of the Eucharistic Prayer.



Lesson 15: The Sacrament of Matrimony

Opening Prayer: [Begin and end with the Sign of the Cross]

Dear Jesus, thank you for the gift of our families. Amen

Watch Video:

Today we are learning about another Sacrament (visible sign of God's love). We are all called through our Baptism to serve others, and there are many ways to do this. One of the Sacraments that involves serving others is the Sacrament of Matrimony, or Marriage.

When Jesus was alive on Earth, he attended a wedding, where two people were married.

Watch and see what happened: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7plJa_qnVug

Jesus performed a Miracle at the Wedding (a Miracle is a sign of God's love, presence and power at work in the world). What was the miracle that Jesus did in Cana? Write or draw it below:

Activity:

All married couples have a job (or vocation) to be signs of God's love in the world. By loving one another and their children/families, married couples can make the world a more loving place.

Complete the activity on p. 139 by writing or drawing about one sign of God's love that you see or experience when you are with your family.

Final Prayer:

We can't be signs of God's love without God's help! Watch and sing/pray along with the following video that reminds us that the same power that rose Jesus from the grave lives in us, and is always there to help us love others. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gn1QKn-Oce8>

Chapter 16: Called to Serve

Opening Prayer: [Begin and end with the Sign of the Cross]

Loving God, bless all the good men and women who have dedicated their lives to your service. Amen.

Watch Video:

Last week we learned that as baptized people, we all have a job (vocation) to serve others. One Sacrament through which we become servants of another is Marriage; the other is Holy Orders, where a Baptized man promises to serve the Church for his whole life as a priest, deacon or bishop.

Jesus washes his disciples feet: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bv5ajWNrnt4>

In the video, what did Jesus teach his disciples to do? (circle your answer)

- a) keep people clean
- b) serve others, and not think of themselves as greater than other people
- c) make sure people don't wear their shoes in the house

Activity:

Aside from Holy Orders, people can be called to imitate Jesus by living a Consecrated Life. Consecrated means 'set aside for a Holy Purpose'. These people promise to live a simple life, not marry and to serve others and obey Church leaders. Monks and Nuns are examples of people who are living a consecrated life.

Complete the following Holy Orders work sheet by Labeling each figure according to their job in the church, and write either HO next to them if they have received Holy Orders or CJ next to them if they are Consecrated to Jesus.

Final Prayer:

[Begin and end with the Sign of the Cross]

Lord you gave each of us talents. Help us use them to serve you and your people. Amen.

Serving God and His Church: Holy Orders and Consecrated Life

- Deacon

- Priest

- Bishop



- Religious Sister



- Monk

