

Meet You at the Altar Mass Journal- Grades 7-9

10/17/2021- Twenty-Ninth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Student Name: _____

Faith Formation Grade: _____

Small Group Leader's Name: _____

1. What church did you attend Mass?
 - a. St. Anthony
 - b. St. Patrick
 - c. St. Elizabeth Seton
 - d. Other

2. What time did you attend Mass? (Write your response in the space below)

3. Did you attend Mass in person or online?
 - a. In person
 - b. Online

4. Who was the priest that celebrated the Mass that you attended?
 - a. Fr. Steve
 - b. Fr. Peter
 - c. Other

5. In today's second reading, St. Paul tells us that the Holy Spirit, the same Spirit that came to the disciples in the first reading, comes upon us in a special way. We know that we receive the Holy Spirit through the sacrament of Confirmation. Through our reception of the sacrament of Confirmation, we receive the gifts of the Holy Spirit which are: wisdom, understanding, counsel, knowledge, fortitude, piety, and fear of the Lord. These gifts help us to become closer followers of Christ and to live our lives in the way that God asks us to. **What are some other gifts/talents that you think you have? How can you share those gifts/talents with other people?**

6. In today's Gospel, we hear the story of two men walking on the road to Emmaus a few days after Jesus died on the Cross. While on the road, Jesus appears to them, but they do not recognize him at first. They see him as a stranger, because they did not realize he had risen from the dead (and that because he rose from the dead he appeared differently). They only realized that he was Jesus when he eventually sat down with them and shares a meal, blessing the bread and share it with them. In that moment, the men who were "blind" were able to see Jesus clearly. **Are there things in your life that you are "blind" to (meaning, are there things that you do not completely understand)? How can Jesus help you to understand those things more clearly?**

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7. Jesus calls us to follow Him, but, as we know, this can be a very hard thing to do. For this exact reason, the Church recognizes men and women called the saints who lived very holy lives and worked as servants of God. By learning about the lives of the saints, we can learn how to be better followers of Jesus, and we can ask them to pray for us when things are difficult. **Choose a saint and briefly explain how they lived a holy life.**

Parent Question

The Communion of Saints is a wonderful part of our faith that can really strengthen our relationship with God. Who is a saint that you feel could serve as a patron saint for your family? How can you incorporate asking this saint to pray for your family into your shared prayer life?

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