

Meet You at the Altar Mass Journal- Grades 1-3

09/26/2021- Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Student Name: _____

Faith Formation Grade: _____

Small Group Leader 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, we hear a strong message from St. James against those who have a lot of money. In this message, St. James is telling us that if we have a lot of money, we have a responsibility to take care of those who may not have as much. We cannot keep everything to ourselves as that would be very selfish! **Think about a time when you had a lot of something (maybe you had a large bag of candy, or maybe you received a lot of toys for your birthday). Did you share those things with other people or did you keep them to yourself? How would you feel if you knew that someone had a lot of something and didn't share it with you?**

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6. In today's Gospel, Jesus' disciples are upset because they came across a person who was doing things in the name of Jesus, but he wasn't part of their group. They believed that only they could be the ones doing those things as they were the ones with Jesus day after day. But Jesus tells them to not worry about the person, because even though he is not part of their group he is still doing the right thing. Jesus wants his disciples to encourage and uplift other people, especially if they are not doing thing the "right" way. **Imagine your sibling (or other family) member is doing a chore but they aren't doing quite right and are making a mess. Would you just let them keep going without saying anything? Would you step in and tell them that they were wrong and do the chore yourself? Or would you be encouraging and show them how to do it? Why?** *(Taken from Loyola Press Sunday Connection)*

7. As Catholics, we are all called to follow certain guidelines so that we can best participate in the life that Christ has called us to. One of these things that we are called to do is to give to those who are most in need. As we heard in the second reading today, giving and not keeping is a very important thing for us to do. **What is something that you and your family could do in the coming weeks to give back to those who might not have as much as you do?**

Parent Question

1. In today's Gospel, Jesus teaches us that we should uplift and encourage others who proclaim our faith, even if they might not get everything right all the time. **As a family, think about some ways that you can help nurture our faith (i.e. healthy relationships, healthy friendships, good literature, etc.). Additionally, think about some of the things that might become an obstacle to faith (i.e. unhealthy relationships, scandals, etc.)**

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