



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

10/3/2021- Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Faith Formation Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Small Group Leader's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

our relationship with God in a way that is joyful and freeing, and not something that is boring or something that we “should” do. **Think about when you were a child (maybe 5 or 6 years old). Was there something that you really enjoyed? Do you still enjoy it today? How can you take that same enjoyment you had back then and apply it to going to Mass each week?**

7. As Catholics we belong to the Church, our community and family of faith. The Church is the community of people who believe in Christ, have been Baptized, and who follow and proclaim all that Christ has taught us. There are 4 identifying characteristics (or marks) that really make the Church special. We believe that the Church is one meaning that is united to Christ and to its members (we all share in the same faith). The Church is holy because we share in God's holiness by showing others His love. The Church catholic (small “c”) which is a word that means universal; everyone is invited to belong to the Church. Finally, the Church is apostolic because of the faith and authority that was given by Jesus to his apostles and that has been passed down to us over time. **How can we show others that the Church is catholic (open to anyone who wishes to be a part of it)?**

## Parent Question

1. As we hear in two of today's readings, family is a very important component to our faith. Jesus teaches us that we are called to act with compassion and love in our relationships. It is important that we make commitments to love others, especially those in our families. **How can you show your children this week that you are committed to caring for them?**