

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

11/7/2021- Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Student Name: _____

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had to the Temple, but Jesus points out a very poor woman. This poor woman gives the last two coins she has to God. Jesus says she gave more than the very rich people who gave many coins. Even though the rich give more coins, Jesus says the woman gave more to God. This passage gives us a clue as to what true discipleship means. We are called to give everything we have to God, and only giving the leftovers or what extra time or money we have is not a true sacrifice. **Jesus praises the poor woman because the coins she gives to the Temple is a real sacrifice for her to make. Jesus made the ultimate sacrifice when He died on the Cross for our sins. What is a similarity between the sacrifice the poor woman made and the sacrifice Jesus made?**

7. We hear people use the word “church” all the time. The word church can be confusing because it refers to both a building and a group. This “group” we are a part of is called the Catholic Church. But what is the Catholic Church? Sometimes, we talk about the Church as if it were a club that we join and can quit whenever we feel like it. The Church is different from a club. The Church is the living Body of Christ! Just like our hands, feet, and arms are all part of our body, we are a part of the Body of Christ through our Baptism. This means that everything we do in our lives is connected to Jesus, and God is always present in our lives, no matter what we are doing. Within the Church, there are smaller communities called parishes, and, as you know, you are a member of St. Joseph Guardian of the Holy Family parish! Members of a parish gather in Jesus’ name to worship God, pray together, and to share life with one another. **What are some ways that you can better participate or volunteer in our parish?**

Parent question:

In order to hand on the Truth of the Gospel to our families, we must hand on the practice of serving others. The Corporal Works of Mercy are a great way to start serving others as a family. What is a Corporal Work of Mercy that you feel called to perform together this month?

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