
ETERNAL KINGDOM

An Edge Issue Night on the Second Coming and Last Judgement

Parent Letter

Dear Parents and Family,

The Edge Night this week began with a game where the youth were setup to be waiting for a Core Member to bring them a treat. The teaching led the youth through what will happen at the end of the world, the Last Judgement, and the Second Coming of Jesus Christ. The youth then had a chance to discuss the teaching. At the end of the Edge Night, they prayed a decade of the rosary, focusing on the Ascension of Jesus. Finally the Core Member they were waiting for all night came with their treat as a symbol of waiting for the Second Coming of Jesus.

Main Ideas:

- Jesus dwells always with us through the Church, but He will come again at the end of time and will overcome suffering and evil, once and for all. We do not know the hour that He will come — but when He does we will know that it is Him. (CCC 673)
- At the Last Judgement, our bodies will be resurrected, the truth of every single human's relationship will be laid bare before all as well as all the consequences of his or her good and bad actions, and everyone will go to either heaven or hell for all eternity. (CCC 1038-1039)
- The universe will be redeemed and God will dwell with men, and there will be complete unity of the human race with God. They will all live with Christ in a holy city where there is no longer division, suffering, and all experience complete and utter happiness, peace, and love with everyone. (CCC 1045)

Catechism Reference:

“When he comes at the end of time to judge the living and the dead, the glorious Christ will reveal the secret disposition of hearts and will render to each man according to his works, and according to his acceptance or refusal of grace.” (CCC 682)

Scripture Reference:

“And there will be signs in sun and moon and stars, and upon the earth distress of nations in perplexity at the roaring of the sea and the waves, men fainting with fear and with foreboding of what is coming on the world; for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. And then they will see the Son of man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, look up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.” (Luke 21: 25-28)

Family Reflection Questions:

- What stood out to you the most from the Edge Night this week?
- What did you learn about the end of the world? Is it like the movies depict it to be?
- What do you think your glorified body will be like?
- How will our actions affect what happens to us at our own death and the end of the world?
- How can we live in hope and expectation for Jesus to come again?