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An Edge Issue Night on Mary

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## Parent Letter

Dear Parents and Family,

This week at Edge your son or daughter learned more about St. Maximilian Kolbe. They played a scavenger hunt game to find different Marian images. The teaching explored Mary's relationship with the Holy Spirit. Your son or daughter then joined his or her small group to pray a decade of the rosary while reflecting on the joyful mysteries. The Edge Night ended with the youth continuing to pray and reflect on Scripture passages about the life of Mary.

*For more support in your journey as a parent be sure to check out our Parent Life website at [tparentlife.com](http://tparentlife.com)!*

### Main Ideas:

- Mary's perfection should not alienate us because Mary wants us to share in her perfect connection to the Holy Spirit.
- When Mary said, "yes" to being Jesus' mother, she said, "yes" to being our mother too. She has been a mother for the Church.
- Mary pondered everything she experienced, good or bad, in her heart with the Spirit. One way to be more like Mary is to offer our experiences to the Holy Spirit like she did.

### Catechism Reference:

"Mary's role in the Church is inseparable from her union with Christ and flows directly from it. 'This union of the mother with the Son in the work of salvation is made manifest from the time of Christ's virginal conception up to his death'; it is made manifest above all at the hour of his Passion: Thus the Blessed Virgin advanced in her pilgrimage of faith, and faithfully persevered in her union with her Son unto the cross. There she stood, in keeping with the divine plan, enduring with her only begotten Son the intensity of his suffering, joining herself with his sacrifice in her mother's heart, and lovingly consenting to the immolation of this victim, born of her: to be given, by the same Christ Jesus dying on the cross, as a mother to his disciple, with these words: 'Woman, behold your son.'" (CCC 964)

### Scripture Reference:

"My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, for he has regarded the low estate of his handmaiden. For behold, henceforth all generations will call me blessed; for he who is mighty has done great things for me, and holy is his name." (Luke 1:46-49)

### Family Reflection Questions:

- Why is Mary so important?
- What role does Mary play in the Church?
- Why should Mary be an important part of our lives?