

GRADE 5: FEBRUARY 19

Kingdom of God

CHAPTER 20: The Last Things (pages 267–276)

Key Concept: Faith in the Resurrection is the source of hope in eternal life and happiness with God in Heaven. The Church cares for the dying through prayer and celebration of last Eucharist, known as viaticum.

Catholic Faith Words: *Heaven, Hell, eternal life, Purgatory, Particular Judgment*

Discover: We are all called to serve God and one another. One way the Church serves God's People is by offering His hope and encouragement. Christians are called to meet the needs of others; those who show love to others in this life will be with God in eternal life.

- Page 268: Read the Scripture: The Judgement of the Nations: Matthew 25:31-40. This Parable of the Last Judgement is only in Matthew's Gospel
- The story tells us that people who know Jesus treat others with love and kindness. They will enter Heaven!
- Look at the Works of Mercy Chart on page 317. We break them into two categories, the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy. Write down some of the ways that you can work together with God as He builds His Kingdom.
- Read pages 270-271: Christians prepare for eternal life by accepting God's grace and serving Him and one another. In the funeral liturgy, the Church proclaims the message of eternal life, and uses symbols connected to our Baptism and Jesus' Resurrection. Some of the objects used during a funeral Mass:
 - Holy Water
 - Paschal Candle
 - White Pall that covers the casket
- Print and complete Chapter 20 Handout: Commendation of the Dying

Live:

- Find out how to comfort the sorrowful on page 272: Create and cut out a prayer and glue it to a note card. Then decorate your card with colored pencils, using images such as hearts, crosses, flowers, and images of the angels and Saints.
- The words and thoughts you've shared in these cards will let people who have experienced a loss know that they're not alone. This support and your prayers are ways children your age can participate in the life of your parish, and as part of the entire Body of Christ. In other words, this parish—and the Church—needs you!

Family + Faith (pages 275-276):

- Print and complete Chapter 20 Review.

