

## April LIFT 2017-18

### Level 6-8 Home Assignment

**Directions:** Work with your child through the take home assignment. It isn't a writing assignment but an opportunity to experience together what we discussed at LIFT. Jot down notes about the things you talk about and email me a summary to [dremaley@holyeucharist.org](mailto:dremaley@holyeucharist.org).

**Theme:** The Eucharist and Faith

- Objectives:**
1. Know where we are in the liturgical calendar.
  2. Be able to retell the gospel story of Jesus appearing to his disciples.
  3. Consider the importance of the Eucharist in our lives as Catholic Christians.
  4. Consider how we trust each other and apply this to how we can trust and live our faith in Jesus.
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#### Activities

##### **Liturgical Calendar Connection**

Remember from last time that the church uses different colors to show what church (liturgical) time of year we are in.

- What liturgical season are we in? (Easter)
- What color is connected with Easter? (white)
- When is the Easter season over? Hint...think about a feast day associated with the Holy Spirit. (Pentecost). We will celebrate Pentecost together at our last LIFT, the weekend of May 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>. What color is associated with feast days of the Holy Spirit like Pentecost and (hint) feast days of martyrs? (red)

##### **Gospel Reading and Reflection Questions**

The two disciples recounted what had taken place on the way, and how Jesus was made known to them in the breaking of bread.

While they were still speaking about this, he stood in their midst and said to them, "Peace be with you."

But they were startled and terrified and thought that they were seeing a ghost. Then he said to them, "Why are you troubled? And why do questions arise in your hearts?"

Look at my hands and my feet, that it is I myself. Touch me and see, because a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you can see I have."

And as he said this, he showed them his hands and his feet.

While they were still incredulous for joy and were amazed,

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he asked them, "Have you anything here to eat?"  
They gave him a piece of baked fish;  
he took it and ate it in front of them.

He said to them,  
"These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you,  
that everything written about me in the law of Moses  
and in the prophets and psalms must be fulfilled."  
Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures.  
And he said to them,  
"Thus it is written that the Christ would suffer  
and rise from the dead on the third day  
and that repentance, for the forgiveness of sins,  
would be preached in his name  
to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem.  
You are witnesses of these things."

Questions to consider:

- Do you believe in ghosts? Have you ever had a paranormal experience in which you could only attribute that experience to something outside reality?
- When do we hear the greeting "Peace be with you" during mass? What does this gesture mean to you?
- Why does Luke describe the Resurrected Jesus eating the fish in such detail? What point is Luke trying to make?
- How do you share the meaning of Jesus' Resurrection with others? Do you find it to be a difficult task?

Questions about Eucharist and the Real Presence:

- In the Gospel, Jesus appears to the disciples in the breaking of the bread. Why is breaking the bread such an important act for Catholics? Share why participating at Mass and sharing in the Eucharist is important to your life of faith.
- In what powerful ways do you encounter Jesus?

Bearing witness to the faith in our everyday lives:

- How do you bear witness to the Good News of God's forgiveness?
- In the Gospel, how does Jesus help the apostles with their fears? How you deal with your everyday fears and concerns?

### **God's Providence and Nachos**

<http://ascensionpresents.com/video/gods-providence-and-nachos/>

This is a great video about trusting in God in the small things...like nachos.

### **Our God" by Chris Tomlin**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=01Yj7H-eSjM>

- As you listen to the song and read the lyrics, what does this song say about trusting in God?
  - When is it easy to trust in God? When is it difficult?
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**Closing prayer**

Say the "Our Father" and a "Hail Mary"