

FAITH IN 5

Easter: Week 8

Ages 8+

- 1. Do you know what we celebrate during the month of June?** The month of June is dedicated to Jesus' Sacred Heart! **What is the meaning of Jesus' Sacred Heart?** Sacred means holy. One of the most popular Catholic devotions, Jesus' Sacred Heart is a symbol for Our Savior's eternal love and mercy towards mankind. Jesus' Sacred Heart burns with love for all souls. **How do we devote ourselves to Jesus' Sacred Heart?** We can participate in the First Friday mass. We can hang an image of Jesus' Sacred Heart in a special place in our home. You can do an [enthronement of the Sacred Heart in your home!](#)
- 2. What is the special name for this Sunday?** This Sunday is Pentecost Sunday! The outpouring of the Holy Spirit is the culmination of the Easter season. At mass you will listen to the Veni, Sancte Spiritus Sequence as we pray to be filled with the Holy Spirit just like the disciples so many years ago. There are two gospel reading options for this Sunday. **In John 20:19-23 how does Jesus give the Holy Spirit?** Jesus joins His disciples and offers them His peace. Afterwards Jesus breathes on the disciples to give them the Holy Spirit. **What else does Jesus say to His Disciples in the gospel?** Through the power of the Holy Spirit, Jesus gives the disciples the authority to forgive sins.
- 3. What colors are used at Mass for Pentecost?** You will see RED at mass this week. The red is for the tongues of fire that descended upon the disciples when they received the Holy Spirit in Acts 2:3. **What are other names for the Holy Spirit?** The Holy Spirit is also called the Paraclete or the Advocate. These words help us to understand that the Holy Spirit is our helper and intercessor. The Holy Spirit is also called the Comforter in the gospel of John. This reminds of Jesus' presence even when we can't see him
- 4. Apologetics: Why do Catholics say Popes are infallible?! Do you think the Catholic Church has never made an error?!** Infallible means to be incapable of making mistakes. There have been many leaders of our church that have made mistakes and sinned- that is part of being human. But! It is very important to understand that when the Pope makes a definite teaching about our faith and morals, that is when he is infallible. **How can this be?** John 16:13 says "When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all truth." Jesus is assuring His flock that the Church He founded would always be guided to all truth.
- 5. Catechism- What is actual grace?** Actual grace is supernatural help from God which enlightens our mind and strengthens our will to do good and avoid evil.

(Baltimore Catechism, ch. 9) **What are the principal ways of obtaining grace?**
Praying and the Sacraments, especially the Holy Eucharist. The catechism teaches that our soul is like a garden. The Holy Spirit is living water. We want our souls, watered by grace, to produce fruit!

REVIEW QUESTION: What is the First Friday Devotion? First Friday is a devotion to Jesus' Sacred Heart. On the First Friday of the month you consecrate yourself to Jesus' sacred heart and make reparations for our sins and the sins of our world.

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