

FAITH IN 5

Ordinary Time: Week 20

Ages 8+

- 1. What is a transept in the church?** The transept is the part of the church beyond the nave but before the altar. It runs across the main body of the church. It gives the church a cross shape! The transept separates the nave from the altar. Since altars are built to face east, the transept crosses the other way, extending to the north and the south. The ends of the transepts, called semi transepts, often have a Mary and Joseph statue, or beautiful stained glass windows. In larger churches there can even be a chapel in the semi transepts!
- 2. What did you hear in Sunday's gospel reading?** In Luke 12:49-53, Jesus is talking about division. He talks about families disagreeing amongst themselves. This can be really difficult to understand. Jesus is bringing the Truth of who He is to earth. He also tells the Truth of eternal life and punishment for sin. Sometimes, hearing the truth causes problems. We don't always want to change our minds or our lives to align with the truth. People began to fight about what was true and important even when Jesus was alive. **Why would we have division now?** If we believe Jesus to truly be our Savior, we may live differently and people may disagree with us. Even in our own families! **Does Jesus truly want division?** No! Jesus does not desire for families to be divided. **What does Jesus desire?** Jesus wants us to believe in Him, and to put Him first and follow Him, even if other people do not agree.
- 3. What are we celebrating this Monday?** This Sunday is the feast of the Assumption of The Blessed Virgin Mary. **What is this feast all about?** The Catholic church teaches that the Blessed Mother, her body and her soul, were "assumed" into Heaven. **How can this be?!?** God created Mary holy and pure. She was born without original sin so that her womb would be a perfect home for baby Jesus. She had found favor with God for her "yes" or her "fiat" **Why is this a celebration?** Mary's assumption is a reminder of our belief in the Resurrection. It reminds us that our bodies are good and are made for eternity in Heaven- the resurrection is for all of us! We are all called to the same unity with Christ! **How do we celebrate the Feast of the Assumption?** It is a Holy Day of Obligation depending on what day of the week it falls. Go to mass! Pray for the glorious mysteries. [It is a tradition to have your herbs blessed on this feast day! Here is a great craft idea!](#) A fluffy dessert with whipped cream is perfect for the Feast of the Assumption!
- 4. Catechism- What is the Fourth Commandment?** The Fourth Commandment is to Honor Thy Father and Mother. **How do we honor our parents?** We must love them, we must respect them by obeying them and help them when they are in need. When

we obey our parents, we are being obedient to God. God gives us our parents to take care of us on earth.

5. **Apologetics- Why does the Catholic Church have priests?** Priests or "presbyters" minister to the Church (that is you and me) by preaching and administering the sacraments. In 1 Peter 5:1-2 we read "So I exhort the presbyters among you, as a fellow presbyter and witness to the sufferings of Christ...Tend the flock of God in your midst..." Without Priests, we would not receive the sacraments which help us to Heaven. We also rely on their teaching, called homilies, to help us understand the Gospel!

REVIEW QUESTION: What part of the church is called the Nave? The Nave is where we, the parishioners, sit during mass. When you walk from the Narthex into the church, you are walking into the Nave.

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