

# FAMILY PRAYER

## WEEK BY WEEK



**Sixth Sunday of Easter - Year A**

17 May 2020

**“I shall ask the Father and he will give you another Advocate.”**

### Something to Think About

Even though we cannot see Jesus, we can experience his presence in many different ways. The Spirit is at work in the world, bringing love, joy, kindness, patience and gentleness. The main message in today’s gospel is to love Jesus and to do as he commands. What does love look like.... feel like.... and sound like?

### The Story

Jesus reminds the disciples that the way to show their love for him is to keep his commandments. However, the disciples are still fearful and anxious so Jesus promises them a comforter and helper – the Holy Spirit. They are not to feel alone or like orphans. The Holy Spirit will help them to know Jesus as the one sent by the Father.

### The Scriptures

**A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to John**

**14:15-17, 19-20**

Jesus said to his disciples:

"If you love me, you will do as I command.

Then I will ask the Father to send you the Holy Spirit who will help you and always be with you.

The Spirit will show you what is true.

In a little while the people of this world won't be able to see me, but you will see me.

And because I live, you will live.

Then you will know that I am one with the Father.

You will know that you are one with me, and I am one with you."

**The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

### Video

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[What is Love?](#)



## THINGS TO DO THIS WEEK

### Mealtime Prayer



### Family Discussion

Begin by talking about activities we need help with before we can do them on our own, e.g. riding a bike, swimming, tying shoelaces.

Now talk about activities that we still need help with e.g. learning a new language, baking a new recipe.

Help is something we need all through our lives!! This is true for us as disciples of Jesus. Talk about times when you have needed help to show your love for Jesus by keeping his commandments.

### Family Activity

In the gospel, Jesus reminded the disciples that they show their love for him when they keep his commandments.

Imagine you are responsible for writing some rules for the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

What would some of these be?

Put a copy of your 21<sup>st</sup> century commandments on your fridge door.



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**JESUS SAID:  
'MY FATHER WILL  
LOVE YOU AND  
I WILL LOVE YOU'**



**SEE IF YOU CAN FIND THE  
WORD 'LOVE' TWELVE  
TIMES IN THIS PUZZLE**

