

4th Sunday of Lent
March 27, 2022

FAITH @ HOME

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First Reading: Joshua 5:9a, 10-12
Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7
Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:17-21
Gospel: Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

[Full readings can be found here!](#)

1. HEAR

Grab your Bible and look up the Gospel reading. Do not have one? You can find the text [here](#).

[Click here](#) to listen a proclamation of the Gospel.

[Click here to watch](#) a reflection on the Gospel.

[Click here to watch](#) a proclamation of the Gospel for children. (Holy Heroes, 4:23 min)

2. PRAY

Spend some time in prayer talking to Jesus.

What are the things that are keeping you from accepting God's infinite love and mercy?



When you are ready to let these go, write or draw these things and place them in your prayer space, give them over to Jesus and continue to pray that you can let these go so that you can accept the love of God for you.

Share with us how you are living out your faith at home. Use #LACatholicsBelieve and tag @LACatholics on social media.

3. TALK

- Gather as a family in a comfortable place in your home, hopefully where all can be seated. You can also gather around a prayer space in your home.
- One parent or adult in the family reads out loud the following reflection: The Gospel of this Sunday tells the story of a father who welcomed his son back into his home after the son left for a long time. When the son decided to return, his father welcomed him back and demonstrated all his love for him. In the second reading, St. Paul asks each of us to be ambassador's of the love of God to others. Now, each of us is invited to show our love for each family member by thinking of what it is we love in each other. (All take a moment of silence for reflection.)
- Next, someone places a chair in the middle of the room and asks 1 member of the family to sit in the chair. One parent or adult invites all other members to take turns to tell the person sitting in the chair 1 or 2 things they love about him/her. This continues until all members of the family have a chance to sit in the chair and listen to the words of love their family offers them.
- End this time by reciting this short prayer together:
God tells us in Isaiah: You are precious in my eyes... and I love you." (Is 43:4)
Could this be true? Does God really think you and I are precious?
We walk away from God so many times... we feel worthless many more...
Life throws at us more than we can handle and we fail again and again.
Yet, God says in his word we are so precious that Jesus became human like us and was born. God gave us the gift of his son so that he would welcome us back to the Father's house. Even if we have messed up our lives!
God says to us: "My Son died for you because you are worth a Son to Me."
Do not wait any longer: run to the Father's arms and home. God is waiting for you there. Hear as God whispers to you: "I love you, I love you."
Amen.