

# April ~ First Eucharist

	Session	Lesson Concepts	Faith Words
4	<a href="#"><u>We Accept and Offer</u></a>	<p><b>Informing the Mind:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Know that through Jesus' sacrifice of love, we are saved from our sin and we are offered eternal life</li> <li>● Make the connection between temple sacrifice in the Old Testament and Jesus as the perfect sacrifice, the Lamb of God</li> <li>● Realize that when we celebrate the Eucharist, we are celebrating and giving thanks for Jesus' sacrifice for us</li> <li>● Learn the prayers and actions that begin the Liturgy of the Eucharist</li> </ul> <p><b>Forming the Heart:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Understand that Jesus is God's gift to us</li> <li>● Deepen the awareness that the Eucharist is the source and summit of our Catholic life</li> <li>● Understand that we are called to offer our lives to God the Father by following and worshiping Jesus</li> <li>● Foster a sense of wonder and awe in response to Jesus' sacrifice of love</li> </ul>	<p>altar, sacrifice, Paschal Mystery, Liturgy of the Eucharist</p>
5	<a href="#"><u>We Give Thanks and Receive</u></a>	<p><b>Informing the Mind:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Understand that through the power of the Holy Spirit and the words and actions of the priest, the bread and wine become Jesus' Body and Blood</li> <li>● Connect the Liturgy of the Eucharist to the Last Supper and the heavenly banquet</li> <li>● Learn the primary parts of the Eucharistic Prayer and the Communion Rite</li> </ul> <p><b>Forming the Heart:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Acquire the practices necessary to prepare to receive the gift of the Eucharist</li> <li>● Develop a disposition of wonder and awe in response to the gift of the Eucharist</li> <li>● Increase the desire to receive the Eucharist</li> <li>● Believe in the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist and its power to transform us</li> </ul>	<p>Consecration, transubstantiation, Real Presence</p>
6	<a href="#"><u>We Share</u></a>	<p><b>Informing the Mind:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Relate the Paschal Candle to Jesus, the Light of the World</li> <li>● Discover how in the Concluding Rites of the Mass we are blessed and sent out to give glory to God with our lives</li> <li>● Know that we are strengthened by the Eucharist to live as disciples</li> </ul> <p><b>Forming the Heart:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Deepen our commitment to our baptismal call to bring Christ to the world through prayer and loving one another in word and action</li> <li>● Grow in our commitment to participate in Mass each Sunday so that we receive the grace necessary to make our relationship with God our first priority</li> <li>● Anticipate not only the joy of receiving our First Communion but every time we receive</li> </ul>	<p>Paschal Candle, Concluding Rites, Ite missa est, Tabernacle</p>

## April activity

### Understanding the Liturgy of the Eucharist

The Liturgy of the Eucharist is the part of the Mass when we receive Jesus in Holy Communion. During the Liturgy of the Eucharist we share the Sign of Peace. Before we receive Holy Communion, we offer each other a sign of friendship.

For each set of situations, circle the best way to show friendship during Mass.

Your brother ate part of your breakfast. No Sign of Peace for him today.

Your brother ate part of your breakfast, but you reach over and give him a hug.

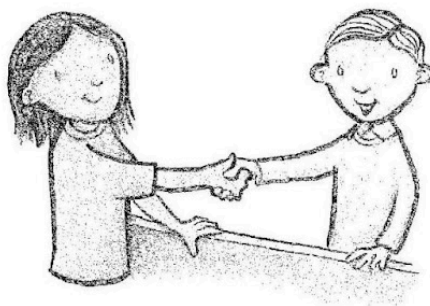
You see your friend at church. You smile and nod.

You see your friend at church. You yell, "After Mass, meet me outside!"

You and your sister flash two fingers and say, "Peace out."

You and your sister look at each other and say, "Peace be with you."

You don't like the way the person next to you looks. You shake hands with someone else instead.



You share the Sign of Peace with all the people seated around you.

# April Prayer

## *Prayer to our Guardian Angel*

Angel of God,  
my guardian dear,  
to whom God's love  
commits me here,  
ever this day be at my side,  
to light and guard,  
to rule and guide.  
Amen.



Complete the prayer using the word bank.

## **GUARDIAN ANGEL**

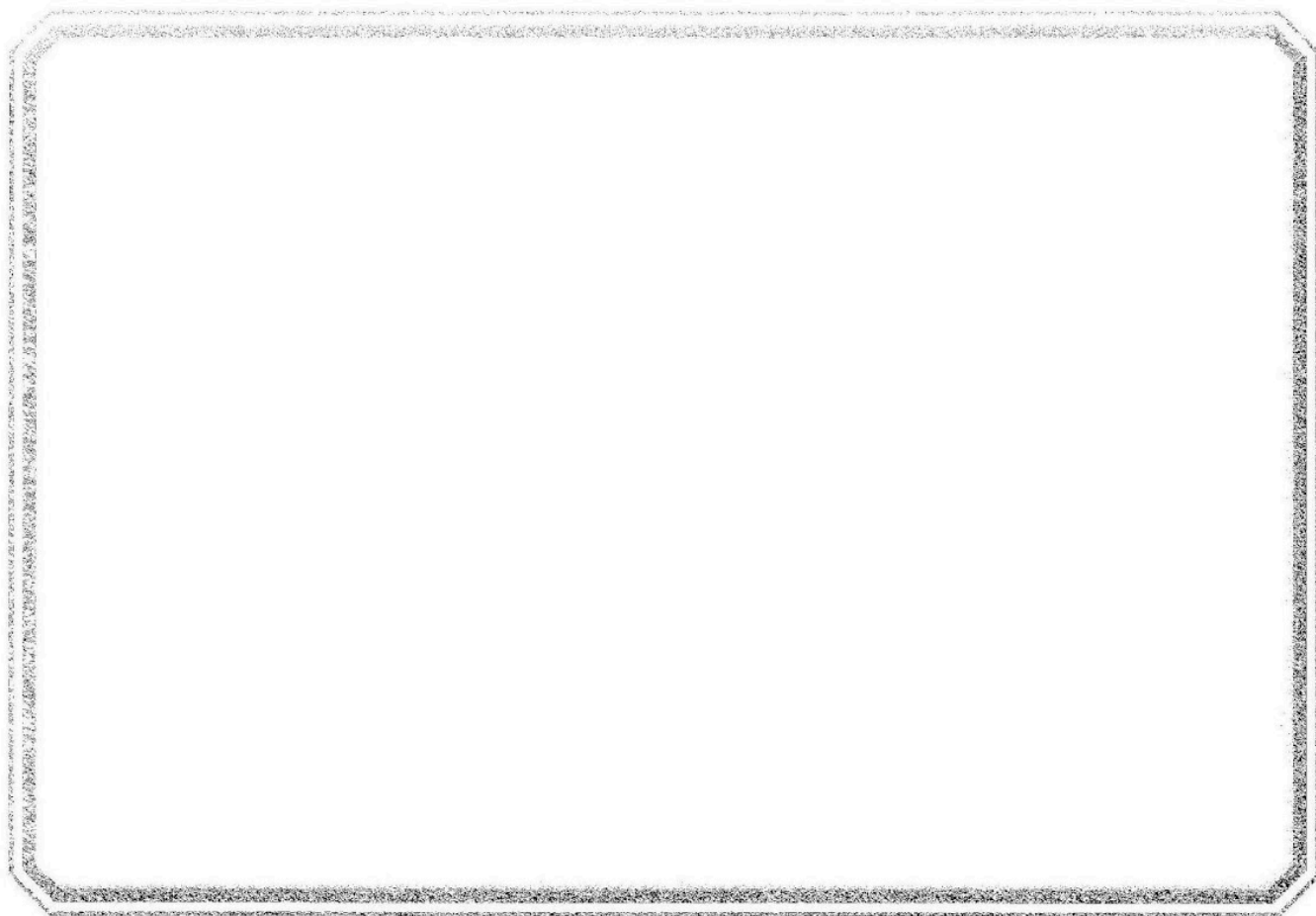
Angel of \_\_\_\_\_,  
my \_\_\_\_\_ dear,  
to whom God's love  
\_\_\_\_\_ me \_\_\_\_\_.  
Ever this \_\_\_\_\_ be at my  
\_\_\_\_\_, to \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_,  
to \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_. Amen.

rule	guard	commits	day	God
side	here	guardian	light	guide

# Jesus Shared the Last Supper

Before he died Jesus shared a special meal with his friends. This meal is called the Last Supper. In the Sacrament of the Eucharist, we remember the Last Supper and Jesus' sacrifice for us.

**Draw a picture of your family at Mass. Then complete the sentence with the words in the box.**



## WORD BANK

Eucharist

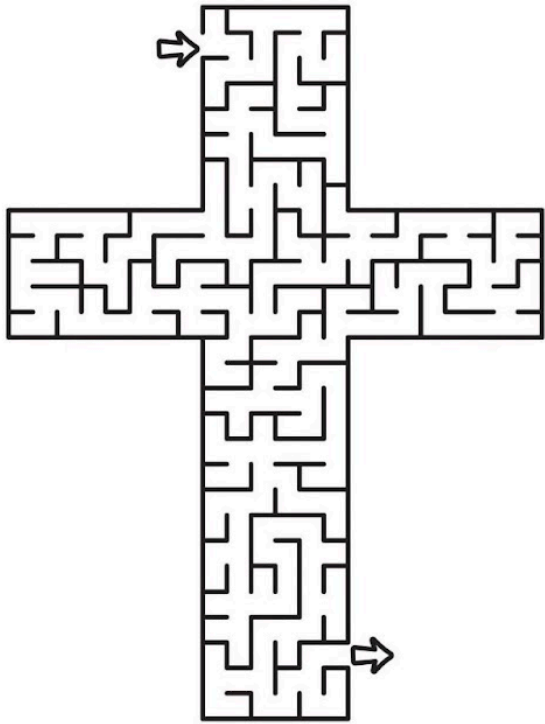
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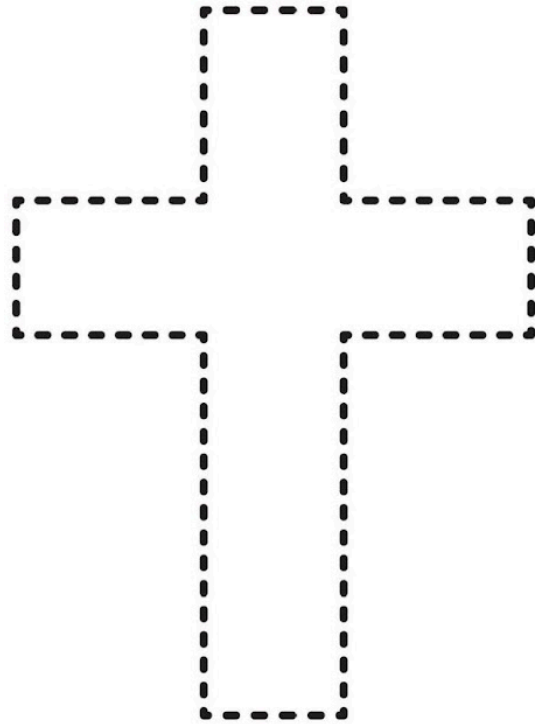
The \_\_\_\_\_ is a holy \_\_\_\_\_  
we share during \_\_\_\_\_.

# Easter Fun Page!

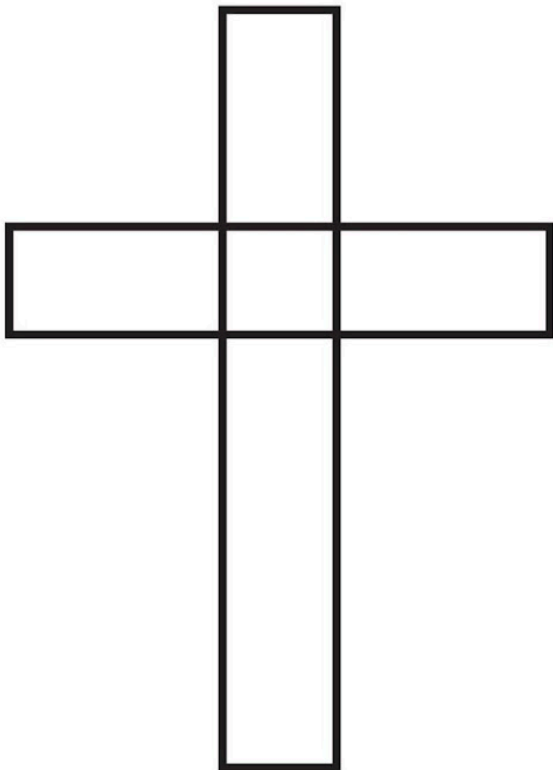
Maze It!



Trace It!



Color It!



Connect It!

