

SUNDAY GOSPEL ACTIVITIES

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5th Sunday of Easter

John 14:1-12

In this week's Gospel, Jesus speaks to His disciples about who He is: He is God! The disciples have a hard time understanding what Jesus means by all of this. Jesus summarizes for them: "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me." Many of us are familiar with this part of John's Gospel, but the next part is just as important! Jesus continues, "If you know me, then you will also know my Father. From now on you do know him and have seen him."

Why does this matter? Well, because of Jesus, we can come to know and love our Heavenly Father! Jesus was sent to show us how much we are loved and how willing God is to forgive us for all those things that separate us from Him (sins). Jesus also established the sacraments of our Church as a means to draw us ever closer to Him. To know Jesus—to read His words in the Gospel, to understand His life and His sacrifice for us—is to know and love God.

Activities:

- Pray the "Our Father" today as a family with special attention. This is the prayer Jesus specifically gave us to pray to our Heavenly Father!
- There is always more to know about Jesus, always ways we can be closer to Him. How does your relationship with Jesus help you as you live out family life?
- As a family, think of ways that you can spread the love of Jesus.

