

Easter to Pentecost



FOCUS

1. The death and Resurrection of Christ should always be thought of as a unity.
2. The message that Jesus has risen from the dead, is one which brings wonder, joy, awe and fear. However, far from debilitating, this fear energises the women.
3. Out of each parish the baptised followers of Jesus, whether male or female, adult or child, cleric or lay are commissioned to go out and to proclaim to all peoples what God has done for us.
4. The anointing with chrism is the sacramental sign of the seal of the Holy Spirit.
5. Jesus promised his disciples that the Holy Spirit would come upon them, and they would receive the power and strength to be witnesses to him.

During these lessons your child may have:

- *identified key words associated with the first Easter Sunday;*
- *listened and responded to the story of the great commissioning by Jesus to go and spread the Good News;*
- *recalled the words used during Baptism and Confirmation;*
- *illustrated ways they can show they are living as Jesus taught;*
- *developed an awareness of how the Holy Spirit is working in their lives.*

Matthew 28:1-20

... Come and see the place where he lay, then go quickly and tell his disciples, "He has risen from the dead and now he is going before you to Galilee; it is there you will see him." ... Filled with awe and great joy the women came quickly away from the tomb and ran to tell the disciples. ... The eleven disciples set out for Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had arranged to meet them. ... Jesus came up and spoke to them. He said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore, make disciples of all nations; baptise them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teach them to observe all the commands I gave you. And know that I am with you always; yes, to the end of time."

John 14:26-27

"The Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all I have said to you. Peace I bequeath to you, my own peace I give to you, peace the world cannot give, this is my gift to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid."

Acts 1:4

When he was at table with them, he told them ... to wait there for what the Father had promised.

SUGGESTED HOME ACTIVITIES

These are some suggested activities to do at home with your child.

1. Talk to your child about some of the symbols and images associated with Easter.
2. Encourage your child to recall some of the post-Resurrection appearances of Jesus.
3. Discuss with your child the most important task they have ever been asked to do.
4. Discuss with your child the people you know who spread the Good News, the story of Jesus.
5. Talk to your child about their Baptism and their (or your) Confirmation.
6. Encourage your child to complete the Activity page.
7. More activities can be found at <https://ccd.sydneycatholic.org> Click **Curriculum overview/ Stage 2/Extension Activities**.

To Remember :

Jesus said, "Know that I am always with you."

