

YOUR CHILD LEARNED >>>

The chapter explains that Jesus sacrificed his life to save us and examines how the Church celebrates the Paschal Mystery in each of the Seven Sacraments.

God's Word



Read **John 15:12–13** to learn more about loving one another as Jesus loves us.

Catholics Believe

- Jesus died and rose to new life to save all people from the power of sin.
- The Church celebrates the Paschal Mystery in all of the Seven Sacraments.

To learn more, go to the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* #613, 1085 at usccb.org.

People of Faith

This week, your child met Saint Mary Magdalene, who was one of the first people to tell others about Jesus' Resurrection.

CHILDREN AT THIS AGE >>>

How They Understand Jesus' Sacrifice It's difficult for children this age to understand why it was necessary for Jesus to die. The suffering, Death, Resurrection, and Ascension of Jesus Christ was in atonement for the sins of all mankind. The concept of atonement is still foreign to children this age, and can be difficult for many adults as well. For now, it is helpful for your child to understand that Jesus loved us so much that he was willing to die to show his love.



CONSIDER THIS >>>

What does it mean that we daily die and rise with Christ?

Life requires many "dyings." We die to being an adolescent, we die to being responsible only for ourselves, and we die to relationships that fail. Jesus' Death and Resurrection help us to understand that in every death, God can bring new life. "Faith in the resurrection of our bodies is inseparable from our faith in the Resurrection of Christ's body from the dead. He rose as our head, as the pattern of our rising, and as the life-giving source of our new life" (*USCCA, 155*).

LET'S TALK >>>

- Ask your child how making a sacrifice for someone else can help he or she feel good about themselves.
- Talk about a time you have made a sacrifice for someone else. How did that sacrifice show love?

LET'S PRAY >>>



Saint Mary, help us remember to ask Jesus for help when we are sick. Amen.



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