

# FAMILY+FAITH

LIVING AND LEARNING TOGETHER

## YOUR CHILD LEARNED >>>

*This chapter describes the elements of the Liturgy of the Word and the need to reflect on Scripture, and identifies Sacred Tradition as the message of Jesus that comes from the Apostles and the life of the Church.*

### Scripture



Read **Luke 11:27–28** to find out what Jesus said about those who hear and observe the Word of God.

### Catholics Believe

- Sacred Scripture is the Word of God written by humans.
- The Word of God is proclaimed and preached in the first of two main parts of the Mass: the Liturgy of the Word.

To learn more, go to the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* #84, 108, 1088, 1100 at [usccb.org](http://usccb.org).

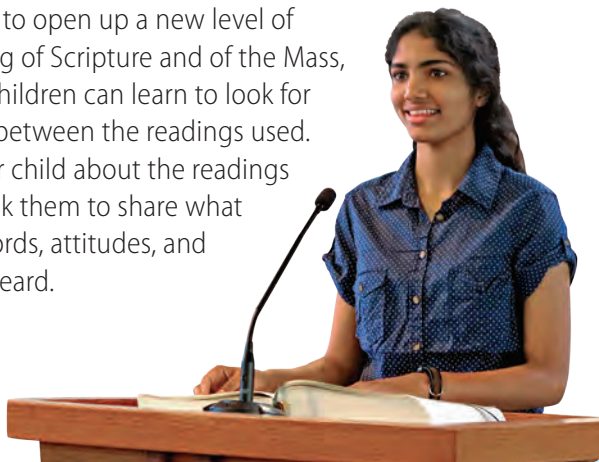
### People of Faith

This week, your child learned about Saint Jerome. Jerome translated the Bible from Greek and Hebrew into Latin.

## CHILDREN AT THIS AGE >>>

**How They Understand the Liturgy of the Word** Because of the dramatic increase in reading and writing work that occurs in most educational settings at this age many students at this level are better able than before to read and understand the language used in our Lectionary.

This can help to open up a new level of understanding of Scripture and of the Mass, especially if children can learn to look for connections between the readings used. Talk with your child about the readings after Mass. Ask them to share what teachings, words, attitudes, and beliefs they heard.



## CONSIDER THIS >>>

*Who is the person in your life you go to when you want to be heard?*

To be heard is a very precious gift. God invites us to hear his Word at Mass. God enters into a dialogue with us and opens our hearts to hear his precious Word. As Catholics, we know that “the Liturgy of the Word is an important part of every liturgy because the proclamation of the Word of God and the response of faith to it help give meaning to the celebration” (*USCCA, p. 177*).

## LET’S TALK >>>

- Ask your child to explain the importance of the Liturgy of the Word in the Mass.
- Share how your family honors God’s Word.

## LET’S PRAY >>>



Saint Jerome, pray for us that we may love the Word of God as you did. May we always find wisdom and comfort in God’s Word. Amen.



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