

TALKING ABOUT EASTER >>>

Like Christmas, Easter is a time for family. In many areas of the country, the freshness of the earth and the spring flowers revitalize our hearts and spirits. Often we begin visiting friends and family after what seems like months of isolation during the winter.

The Feast of Easter is followed by a vibrant season of joy that continues for fifty days. All of the liturgies are uplifting. The priest wears white vestments. During the Sunday liturgies we are sprinkled with holy water to remind us of our Baptisms.

God's Word



Read **1 Corinthians 5:6-8**, to see how Paul uses the analogy of yeast as corruption and unleavened bread as that which is without the presence of corruption.

HELPING YOUR CHILD UNDERSTAND >>>

Easter

- Most children this age are fascinated and curious about the fact of Jesus' Resurrection and what he might have looked like.
- Usually children this age have a sense of the feelings of the people who are mentioned in the post-Resurrection Gospel passages.
- For the most part, children this age can engage the post-Resurrection passages through role playing and by guided meditation.



FEASTS OF THE SEASON >>>

Ascension Thursday

Besides Easter and Pentecost the other major feast of the Easter season is Ascension Thursday, which occurs forty days after Easter and ten days before Pentecost. It celebrates Jesus' rising to go to his Father in Heaven.

FAMILY PRAYER >>>



During the Easter Season share the following ritual at meal times.

Leader: Christ is our light!

All: Christ is our light, Alleluia.

Leader: All of the earth rejoices, because Jesus is risen from the dead! He has shown that he is God! Because of his sacrifice, we are free of the chains of death. Our lives have gained meaning because of our Redeemer. Christ is our light!

All: Alleluia, Alleluia. Amen.



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