



A Year with the Catechism

(In preparation for next week.)

How to prepare for the Lord's Supper.

What does this mean?

Bible Passages

Sing to the LORD! Give praise to the LORD! He rescues the life of the needy from the hands of the wicked *Jeremiah 20:13.*

Worship the Lord in the splendor of His holiness; tremble before Him, all the earth. *Psalm 96:9.*

Through Jesus, therefore, let us continually offer to God a sacrifice of praise-the fruit of lips that openly profess His name. *Hebrews 13:15.*

All the nations You have made will come and worship before You Lord; they will bring glory to Your name. For You are great and do marvelous deeds; You alone are God. *Psalm 86:9-10.*

Weekly Catechism Reading

Galatians 5

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Devotion

Bible Readings

Luke 23:39-43

Devotion

From every direction Jesus hears mockery and ridicule. Even the criminals hanging on either side join in with the Jewish rulers and Roman soldiers. After a while one falls silent. When the other criminal takes up his taunt, the first speaks out, “Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? We indeed justly, for we are receiving the due reward of our deeds.” Clearly, he has been thinking back over his life, and of the fearful judgment that soon awaits. Then he jumps to Jesus’ defense, revealing the faith that now fills his heart. With firm confidence and faith that Jesus truly is the King of the Jews, the Chosen One, the promised Christ, he turns to Him and prays, “Jesus, remember me when You come into Your kingdom.”

We regularly honor our crucified Lord by gathering in His house and receiving His Supper. Like the criminal, we confess our sins and ask Jesus to remember us when He comes into His kingdom. Through Holy Communion He will give us His Body nailed to the cross and His Blood poured out. All this for the forgiveness of our sins. Like the criminal, we will hear the Savior assure us, “Truly, I say to you, . . . you will be with Me in Paradise.”

Prayer

O Lord, in this wondrous Sacrament You have left us a remembrance of Your passion. Grant that we may so receive the sacred mystery of Your body and blood that the fruits of Your redemption may continually be manifest in us; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.