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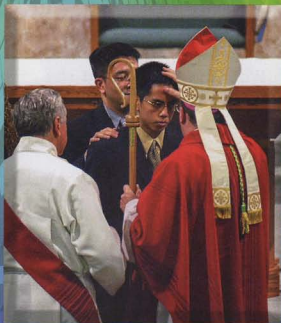
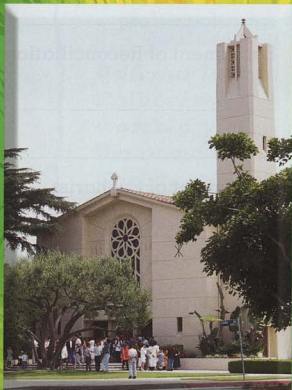
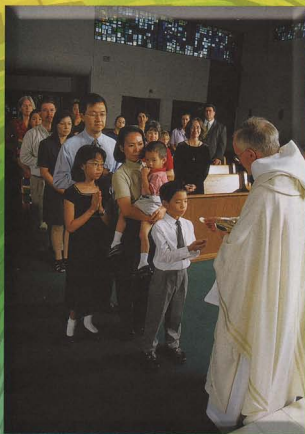
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*When does the Church  
gather to celebrate?*

# Getting Ready

## What I Have Learned

*What is something you already know about these faith words?*

sacraments

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Sacrament of Reconciliation

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Sacrament of Eucharist

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## Words to Know

*Put an X next to the faith words you know. Put a ? next to the words you need to know more about.*

### Faith Words

- \_\_\_\_\_ worship
- \_\_\_\_\_ Sacrament of Reconciliation
- \_\_\_\_\_ Mass
- \_\_\_\_\_ Liturgy of the Word
- \_\_\_\_\_ Liturgy of the Eucharist

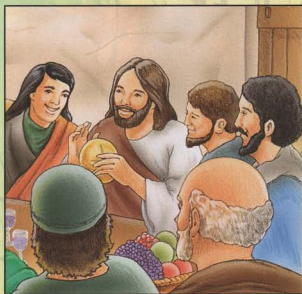
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*What question would you like to ask about forgiveness?*

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## A Scripture Story



The Last Supper

*What did Jesus do at the Last Supper?*





# We Worship God

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## We Pray

Our LORD and God,  
may all people  
praise you.

Based on Psalm 67:4

**God our loving  
Father, we  
worship you in  
the name of Jesus  
Christ. Amen.**

*What are some of  
the things you do  
and say when you  
celebrate?*

We celebrate  
special times in our  
lives. Catholics  
gather to celebrate  
our love for God  
and one another.  
We use special  
words and actions.

*What are some of the  
words and actions  
the Church uses in  
her celebrations?*

# The Church Worships God

## Faith Focus

What do the words and actions of Jesus teach us?

## Words and Actions of Jesus

Jesus used words and actions to show God's love for us. One time Jairus came to Jesus. We can read about Jairus and Jesus in Saint Mark's Gospel.

Jairus was a religious leader who had great faith in God. Jairus asked Jesus to help his daughter who was very sick. Read what happened next.

Jesus and his disciples followed Jairus to his house. When they arrived there, Jesus saw the family and neighbors weeping. He then took Jairus and his wife and the disciples and entered the room where the child was. Jesus took her by the hand and said, "Little girl, I say to you, arise!" The girl got up immediately and walked around. And Jesus told her parents to give her something to eat.

Based on Mark 5:22-24, 38, 41-43



People carefully listened to Jesus and watched what he did. The people came to believe in him. They came to believe that Jesus is the Son of God and placed their trust in God.



*What do Jesus' words and actions show us?*

## Faith-Filled People

### Mark the Evangelist

Saint Mark is one of the four Evangelists. He wrote one of the four Gospels in the New Testament. In Mark's Gospel we read about the words and actions of Jesus. The Church celebrates the feast day of Saint Mark the Evangelist on April 25.

### Jesus' Words and Actions

*In the box draw or write about something Jesus did or said. Tell how it helps you to believe and trust in God.*

## Faith Focus

How do our words and actions help us to worship God?

## Faith Words

### worship

Worship means to honor and love God above all else.

We celebrate special times in our lives. We share our happiness and our love with our families and friends. Jairus and his family celebrated too. They celebrated that Jesus cured their daughter.

## The Church Uses Words and Actions

The Church celebrates too. We celebrate our faith in Jesus. We celebrate God's love for us. We celebrate our love for God. The Eucharist is the most important celebration of the Church.

God loves us very much. One way we celebrate our love for God is to **worship** him. Worship means to honor and love God above all else. Our words and actions tell God we believe in him, hope in him, and love him.

The assembly listening to the homily at Mass





When we worship God, we listen to him. We listen to his word to us. We give adoration to God and praise him. We pray aloud and we sing. We stand and sit and walk in procession.



**Why do we worship God?**

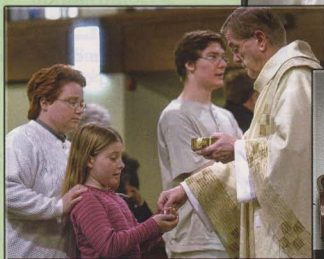
## Our Catholic Faith

### Singing and Music

Singing and music are an important part of celebrating the sacraments. Saint Augustine said, "He who sings prays twice."

## Pictures of Worship

*Which of these pictures do you recognize as celebrations of the Church? Tell what is happening in each picture.*



## Faith Focus

What did Jesus give the Church to worship God?

## Faith Words

### sacraments

The sacraments are the seven signs of God's love for us that Jesus gave the Church. We share in God's love when we celebrate the sacraments.

The Catholic Church celebrates in many ways. How do you see the Church worshipping God? How do you see the Church celebrating her faith in Jesus?

## The Seven Sacraments

Jesus gave the Church a special way to worship. He gave the Church the seven **sacraments**. The sacraments are seven signs of God's love for us. We share in God's love when we celebrate the sacraments. Jesus is really present with us when we celebrate the sacraments.

We divide the sacraments into these three groups.

### Sacraments of Christian Initiation

Baptism  
Confirmation  
Eucharist

### Sacraments of Healing

Anointing of the Sick  
Reconciliation

### Sacraments at the Service of Communion

Holy Orders  
Matrimony



Why do we celebrate the sacraments?



A dove, symbol  
for the Holy Spirit

## Checking the Sacraments

Place a ✓ in the box next to the sacraments you have received or have seen others receive.



### Baptism

We are joined to Jesus and become a part of his Church.



### Confirmation

The Holy Spirit helps us to live as children of God.



### Eucharist

We receive the Body and Blood of Jesus.



### Reconciliation

We receive God's gift of forgiveness and peace.



### Anointing of the Sick

We receive God's healing strength when we are sick or dying.



### Holy Orders

A baptized man is called by God to serve the Church as a bishop, priest, or deacon.



### Matrimony

A baptized man and a baptized woman make a lifelong promise to love and respect each other.

# Our Church Makes a Difference

## Sacramentals

The Church uses special objects, blessings, words, and actions to help us worship God. Sacramentals help us celebrate the sacraments. This helps us to understand what is happening.

We are baptized with water. We are blessed with oil. We offer and share bread and wine. We bless and receive blessings. We make promises.



Pouring water at Baptism

All the objects, words, and actions we use in the sacraments show that God is sharing his love with us. They help us to give thanks and praise to God for all he has done for us.



*What words and actions do you use to worship God?*



Anointing with oil at Confirmation

Bringing up bread and wine at Eucharist





# What Difference Does Faith Make in My Life?

Your words and actions can be signs of God's love. The things you do and say can help people believe and trust in God's love.

*We use many different actions when we pray. Finish each line of the prayer. Pray your prayer with the actions.*

## Praying with Actions

With hands outstretched I ask you, God, for

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With folded hands I praise you, God, for

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### My Faith Choice



This week I will pray using both words and actions. I will say my prayer

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| <input type="checkbox"/> at dinnertime.  | <input type="checkbox"/> at bedtime.   |

## We Pray as God's Family

*We sometimes hold hands when we pray. This shows we belong to the family of God. Form a circle, hold hands, and pray this prayer.*

**Leader:** Let us pray together as God's family. We are your children, God. We love you.

**All:** We love you, God.

**Leader:** We are your children, God.

**All:** Thank you, God, for your blessings.

**Leader:** Let us sing together about our family.  
Our family helps us to celebrate our faith in Jesus.  
Our family helps us to celebrate our love for him.

**All:** Families help each other.  
Families share their fun.  
We work and pray together.  
Jesus makes us one.  
Jesus makes us one.



## We Remember

### What I Have Learned

Complete the sentences, using the words below.

sacraments      worship      love

1. The words and actions of Jesus helped people to know God's \_\_\_\_\_.
2. We share in God's love when we celebrate the \_\_\_\_\_.
3. The Church uses words and actions to \_\_\_\_\_ God.

Answer the following questions.

4. Explain what we learn from Jesus' words and actions.

5. Describe how we worship God.

6. Describe what happens when we celebrate the sacraments.

### To Help You Remember

1. We worship God by using words and actions.
2. We worship God when we celebrate the sacraments.
3. The Holy Spirit helps us to celebrate the sacraments and worship God.

### Growing in Faith

One important thing I learned this week is

This is important because

What will people see me doing as I live my faith choice this week?

# 11 With My Family

## This Week . . .

In chapter 11, "We Worship God," your child learned about worshipping God. By listening to and thinking about the Gospel story of Jesus curing Jairus's daughter (Mark 5:22-24, 38-43), your child discovered that the words and actions of Jesus helped people come to believe and trust in God and in his love for us. The Church uses special words and actions to celebrate the sacraments. Through the celebration of the sacraments, we worship God and are made sharers in the life and love of God.

For more on the teaching of the Catholic Church on worship and the sacraments, see *Catechism of the Catholic Church* paragraph numbers 1066-1186.

## Sharing God's Word

Read together Mark 5:22-24, 38-43, the account of Jesus healing the daughter of Jairus, or read the adaptation of the story on page 140. Emphasize that Jesus healed people to show them God's love.

## Praying

In this chapter your child prayed using the gesture of holding hands. Read and pray together the prayer on page 148.

## Making a Difference

Choose one of the following activities to do as a family or design a similar activity of your own.

- Talk about the sacraments that each family member has received. Name the words and actions you remember from the celebration of each sacrament. Discuss the meaning of those words and actions.
- Name the people in your parish who are signs of God's love for your family. Tell how they are signs of God's love.
- Body language and gestures help us pray. This week hold hands when you pray as a family. Remember that you all belong to God's family as well as your family.

For more ideas on ways your family can live your faith, visit the "Faith First for Families" page at [www.FaithFirst.com](http://www.FaithFirst.com). Click on "Games" and make learning fun for your child.





# Review Unit 2

Name \_\_\_\_\_

## A. The Best Word

*Complete the sentences. Color the circle next to the best choice for each sentence.*

1. The seven \_\_\_\_ are signs of God's love for us.

☐ Bibles      ☐ sacraments      ☐ prayers

2. Water and oil are used in the Sacrament of \_\_\_\_.

☐ Baptism      ☐ Reconciliation      ☐ Matrimony

3. Jesus told the parable of the Forgiving \_\_\_\_ to teach about God's forgiveness.

☐ Son      ☐ Father      ☐ Brother

4. In the Sacrament of \_\_\_\_ we receive God's forgiveness for our sins.

☐ Matrimony      ☐ Reconciliation      ☐ Confirmation

5. The \_\_\_\_ is the most important celebration of the Church.

☐ Mass      ☐ Rosary      ☐ Nativity

## B. Sacraments

*Draw a line to connect the clues to the correct sacrament.*

Sacrament	Clue
1. Baptism	a. strengthened by the Holy Spirit
2. Confirmation	b. forgiveness of sins committed after Baptism
3. Eucharist	c. first sacrament we receive
4. Reconciliation	d. Body and Blood of Christ

## C. What I Have Learned

1. *Name two things you learned in this unit. Tell a partner.*

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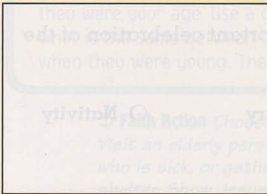
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2. *Look at the faith words listed in "Words to Know" on page 138. Circle the ones that you know now.*

## D. From a Scripture Story

*Draw two pictures about the parable of the Forgiving Father. Tell the beginning and the end of the parable. Give a title to each picture.*

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