

Level 8 Reflections

The Sunday Liturgy (Mass) is the gathering of the faithful to pray and give praise to God. During the liturgy we hear the Word of God proclaimed; the Celebrant (priest) or deacon shares his thoughts on the Word so that we may take the Word with us as we leave the Church. One way for us to truly live out the Word of God is to spend time reflecting on what these words mean to us.

Each candidate must write a Reflection on the Gospel for:

- ❖ (5) Sunday Masses during the year
- ❖ (1) Holy Day of Obligation
- ❖ (1) Stations Reflection

All Reflections are ultimately due by March 1st.

There are designated pages for these reflections attached. Please note the due dates for each of these reflections. The reflection is due to the Religious Education office by the date at the top of the page. You can hand it in earlier but not later than the stated date. There is a box for the reflections outside the office door that you can place any Rel Ed papers at any time. I would recommend a **folder** for all students to keep copies of their Mass Reflections in and to take to Religion class each week for any materials and notices of events, etc, that are given out for families to be aware of.

****Suggestions on how to write these papers:**

- Bring a pad of paper with you to church and write down some thoughts or words you hear in the Gospel and homily, do not attempt to write down every word.
- Write down the scripture reference (e.g. Luke 5:1-5-refer to the Weekly Missal) of the gospel so you can refer back to it when you are writing your reflection.
- On the way home in the car, discuss what you heard and wrote down asking everyone to participate.
- Ask yourself and your family-what the scripture and homily have to do with your life today. What message did Jesus have for you!
- When you get home, write your reflection while it is fresh in your mind, the longer you delay it, and the harder it will be to pull your thoughts together.

Remember, this is a reflection paper; what you write is what you feel the scripture is saying to you at this moment. There is no right or wrong answers. Your reflection should be well thought out and neatly written.

**Date Due: November
Sunday Mass Reflection**

Student Name _____

Teacher Name _____

Date: _____ Time: _____

Presider: (Priest's Name): _____ Church: _____

Homily given by (Priest or Deacon's Name): _____

Gospel According to Saint: _____ Citation (Chapter and Verse): _____

Brief Summary of the Gospel: _____

Reflection on what the Gospel means for YOU. How does it CHALLENGE you to either change something in your life or to continue doing something? What message is God trying to get you to hear?

What color vestments were the priest and deacon wearing? _____

What Liturgical Season are we in? _____

Did you notice anything different in the church today? _____

What part of the Liturgy did you find most interesting? _____

**Date Due: December
Sunday Mass Reflection**

Student Name _____

Teacher Name _____

Date: _____ Time: _____

Presider: (Priest's Name): _____ Church: _____

Homily given by (Priest or Deacon's Name): _____

Gospel According to Saint: _____ Citation (Chapter and Verse): _____

Brief Summary of the Gospel: _____

Reflection on what the Gospel means for YOU. How does it CHALLENGE you to either change something in your life or to continue doing something? What message is God trying to get you to hear?

What color vestments were the priest and deacon wearing? _____

What Liturgical Season are we in? _____

Did you notice anything different in the church today? _____

What part of the Liturgy did you find most interesting? _____

Date Due: January 5th
Holy Day of Obligation Mass Reflection
All Saints Day-November 1st, Immaculate Conception-December 8,
Christmas Day-December 25 or Motherhood of Mary-January 1)

Student Name _____

Teacher Name _____

Date: _____ Time: _____

Presider: (Priest's Name): _____ Church: _____

Homily given by (Priest or Deacon's Name): _____

Gospel According to Saint: _____ Citation (Chapter and Verse): _____

Brief Summary of the Gospel: _____

Reflection on what the Gospel means for YOU. How does it CHALLENGE you to either change something in your life or to continue doing something? What message is God trying to get you to hear?

What color vestments were the priest and deacon wearing? _____

What Liturgical Season are we in? _____

Did you notice anything different in the church today? _____

What part of the Liturgy did you find most interesting? _____

**Date Due: February
Sunday Mass Reflection**

Student Name _____

Teacher Name _____

Date: _____ Time: _____

Presider: (Priest's Name): _____ Church: _____

Homily given by (Priest or Deacon's Name): _____

Gospel According to Saint: _____ Citation (Chapter and Verse): _____

Brief Summary of the Gospel: _____

Reflection on what the Gospel means for YOU. How does it CHALLENGE you to either change something in your life or to continue doing something? What message is God trying to get you to hear?

What color vestments were the priest and deacon wearing? _____

What Liturgical Season are we in? _____

Did you notice anything different in the church today? _____

What part of the liturgy did you find most interesting? _____

Date Due: March 1st
Sunday Mass Reflection for February

Student Name _____

Teacher Name _____

Date: _____ Time: _____

Presider: (Priest's Name): _____ Church: _____

Homily given by (Priest or Deacon's Name): _____

Gospel: _____ Citation (Chapter and Verse): _____

Brief Summary of the Gospel: _____

Reflection on what the Gospel means for YOU. How does it CHALLENGE you to either change something in your life or to continue doing something? What message is God trying to get you to hear?

What color vestments were the priest and deacon wearing? _____

What Liturgical Season are we in? _____

Did you notice anything different in the church today? _____

Level 8
Stations of the Cross

Student Name: _____

Teacher Name: _____

List the Stations:

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| 1) _____ | 8) _____ |
| 2) _____ | 9) _____ |
| 3) _____ | 10) _____ |
| 4) _____ | 11) _____ |
| 5) _____ | 12) _____ |
| 6) _____ | 13) _____ |
| 7) _____ | 14) _____ |

Please pick 3 stations and in your own words summarize each station and tell what it means to you, attach additional sheets as needed.
