



Session 4:

THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD'S PRAYER

The Presentation of the Lord's Prayer is to be held during the Sunday Mass in the presence of a community of the faithful.

Dismissal

After the Elect are dismissed from Mass, they move with the catechist to another area which has a sacred space arranged and comfortable seating for those gathered.

In your sacred space, have a purple cloth, a candle, Bible and the cross.

Today at Mass we heard readings from ... (name the readings e.g. Isaiah or Matthew).

1. Tell me something that you heard from the Mass or the readings at Mass.
2. Let's go back and look at the gospel again. Read from the Bible and as you read this, focus on what you might have seen if you had been there. Share your thoughts if you would like to.
3. Read the passage again and pay attention to what might have been heard such as background sounds, people talking. Pay attention to the questions that Jesus or the disciples ask.
4. Now that you have heard this gospel, what will it mean for you this week? Has this created a new impression for you about God or the Church? What is Jesus saying to you? Make a commitment about what you will do differently from now on.

Exploring

What we have received today - The Lord's Prayer

The Lord's Prayer comes from the lips of Jesus, from the Sermon on the Mount in the gospel of Matthew where Jesus teaches the disciples to pray, "Our Father..." (Matthew 6: 9-13). In Luke's gospel we also hear Jesus teaching the disciples to pray.

This prayer is Jesus revealing his heart to the disciples. When we learn to pray like Jesus, we become like Jesus.

“ Pope John XXIII

To know how to say the Our Father and to know how to put it into practice; this is the perfection of Christian life.

Reflection

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy Kingdom come,
thy will be done
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
Amen.**

This prayer is prayed by all Christians - stop and think that this prayer is prayed by millions of people across the world.

What stands out in this prayer for you?

What does this prayer mean to you?

Why did Jesus choose this prayer?

What is dear to Jesus?

Ask if listening to God's word has made any difference in their life. We are inclined to think about ourselves first; but Jesus is always thinking of others.

Prayer

The following prayer is prayed over the Elect during the Presentation of the Lord's Prayer.

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***Almighty and eternal God,
you continually enlarge the family of your Church.
Deepen the faith and understanding
of these Elect, chosen for baptism.
Give them new birth in your living waters,
so that they may be numbered among your adopted children.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.
Amen***

Music to listen to:

Oh The Deep, Deep Love of Jesus (feat. Fernando Ortega) - Audrey Assad

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1vUhwjjdk8A>

Video **Link 4.1**

