

"Virtual" OneWith

One of the great strengths of our formation for high school aged youth is offering a process of unpacking the truth and wisdom found in the scriptures and liturgical traditions of our Catholic faith – and allowing these young Catholics to reflect on, *and apply*, those truths into the context of their own lives.

Even though we are not able to offer our interactive **OneWith** Teaching Mass sessions at this time, we offer the following format for youth – *along with their families*, to focus on the **OneWith** core competencies of analyzing scriptures/liturgical traditions and distilling them into practical wisdom that youth can apply in their own lives.

"Virtual" **OneWith** sessions consists of 3 steps. **Analysis, Reflection, and Application.** Some of these steps will overlap as the youth work through the process outlined below but I think you (high school youth/family/faith mentors) will find it helpful understand the goals of these 3 steps as you begin to unpack the truths and “mysteries” of sacred Scripture and our Catholic faith.

Step #1: Attend Sunday Mass with an adult family member/faith mentor.

Youth (along with an adult family member/faith mentor) should attend or view a Catholic Mass that corresponds to the weekend of your **OneWith** Session.

Options for Attending/viewing Mass:

- Youth (along with an adult family member/faith mentor) may attend Mass in person any at Catholic Church on the weekend (Saturday or Sunday) that corresponds with your scheduled **OneWith** Session.
- Youth (along with an adult family member/faith mentor) may view SJTW’s prerecorded Mass on the weekend (Saturday or Sunday) that corresponds with your scheduled **OneWith** Session. You can find the video on the SJTW website home page beginning at 5:00 pm on Saturday (sjtw.net).
- ON REQUEST – Preview Link. If your weekend is booked up, you can send an email request to receive a Preview Link for SJTW’s prerecorded Mass (available on Wednesday). Send your request to bshay@sjtw.net between Tuesday and Thursday prior to the scheduled **OneWith** Session.

Step #2: Reflect

In addition to being physically present at Mass, being intellectually/spiritually present to the Word of God and Catholic liturgical experience is at the heart of **OneWith**. The process of unpacking layers of highly ritualized worship and interpreting literature that are thousands of years removed from our own culture is no small task! Youth along with their family member/faith mentor, should pay special attention to the movements of the liturgy and discerning the meaning of the Scripture passages during the Mass. Then using the Reflection Guide provided, spend a few minutes following Mass to reflect and discuss the various aspects of what you have just experienced and how those insights might be applied in your own life.

It will be most helpful to write down these insights to use as notes for discussion when the youth explore these areas and other theological aspects of Scripture and liturgy with their peers...

The second part of the reflection consists of youth participating in a "virtual" discussion with the leader and peers of their **OneWith** Discipleship Group. Youth should be in contact with their Group Leaders to coordinate meeting time and logistics (Zoom, Skype, etc.). Reflection materials for these reflections may be found at www.OneWith.online

Step #3: Application

This is undoubtedly the most difficult part of the Christian life. What we are asking of each youth is what God asks of all of his children... to love God with all your heart, soul and mind and to love your neighbor as yourself. *Mat. 22:37-38*

The final component of your **OneWith** sessions is to apply one aspect of truth, wisdom or understanding from your reflection to improve your relationship with God and/or impact the world we live in. Your "Discipleship Challenge" is to make a specific commitment that results in a positive impact on your family, friends, teammates, school, or community. Keep track! You will likely be asked what you did and how it is working the next time you meet for **OneWith**.

"Virtual" OneWith Session #1

October 11, 2020

Attend/View and reflect on a Sunday Mass

For every Catholic the Eucharist is an inexhaustible mystery to be loved and to be lived. It is a sacrament; it is a sacrifice; it is a meal; it is a celebration, a public proclamation of our faith in sign and symbol; it is the "Source and Summit" of our Christian experience. To truly understand who we are as Catholics; to fully participate in the life and mission of the Church; to become the person of faith that God has called us to be, we must encounter God in the sacraments; we must seek Him in the Eucharist.

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Name of Presiding Priest: _____

Date of Mass Attended: _____

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2. *Sign of the Cross and Greeting*
3. *Penitential Act / Kyrie (Lord, have mercy)*
4. *Gloria – (Feast Days & Easter Season)*
5. *Opening Prayer (Collect)*

Liturgy of the Word:

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5. *Gospel – Priest or Deacon reads and preaches on a passage from one of the four Gospels.*

Liturgy of the Eucharist:

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1. *Preparation of the Gifts*
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Closing Rites:

In the Closing Rites we are reminded that we are a people blessed and sent. The priest says a blessing over the assembled people of God and then we are dismissed – sent to back to the community to be living examples of the Gospel.

1. *Closing Prayer*
2. *Blessing*
3. *Dismissal*

[Write your reflection here...]

Part 2: Scripture Reflection

Write reflections on the Scripture and preaching (homily by priest or deacon) and how they connect with your lived experience.

Scripture Readings of the week

[A full copy of the readings for the week can be found on the U.S. Bishop's website:
<https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/101120.cfm>]

Reading #1: Isaiah 25:6-10

Responsorial Psalm: 23:1-4

Reading #2: Philippians 4:12-14

Gospel: Matthew 22:1-14

Choose one of the readings used at Mass this weekend...

Who is speaking in this passage? _____

To whom are they speaking? _____

What is the "message" and how might that be applied in your own life? (3-4 sentences)

What was the main point of the Priest/Deacon's Homily? (2-3 sentences)

Part 3: Personal Reflection / Discipleship Challenge

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Discipleship Challenge

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Optional:

Was there something that happened during this liturgy that you did not understand or would like to know more about? (1-2 sentences)

"Virtual" OneWith Session #2

October 25, 2020

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1. *Closing Prayer*
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3. *Dismissal*

[Write your reflection here...]

Part 2: Scripture Reflection

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Scripture Readings of the week

[A full copy of the readings for the week can be found on the U.S. Bishop's website:
<https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/102520.cfm>]

Reading #1: Exodus 22:20-26

Responsorial Psalm: 18:2-4

Reading #2: I Thessalonians 1:5-10

Gospel: Matthew 22:34-40

Choose one of the readings used at Mass this weekend...

Who is speaking in this passage? _____

To whom are they speaking? _____

What is the "message" and how might that be applied in your own life? (3-4 sentences)

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"Virtual" OneWith Session #3

November 8, 2020

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Scripture Readings of the week

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<https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/110820.cfm>]

Reading #1: Wisdom 6:12-16

Responsorial Psalm: 63:2-8

Reading #2: I Thessalonians 4:13-18

Gospel: Matthew 25:1-13

Choose one of the readings used at Mass this weekend...

Who is speaking in this passage? _____

To whom are they speaking? _____

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"Virtual" OneWith Session #4

November 22, 2020

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Scripture Readings of the week

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Reading #1: Ezekiel 34:11-17

Responsorial Psalm: 23:1-6

Reading #2: I Corinthians 15:20-28

Gospel: Matthew 25:31-46

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"Virtual" OneWith Session #5 December 6, 2020

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Scripture Readings of the week

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Reading #1: Isaiah 40:1-11

Responsorial Psalm: 85:9-14

Reading #2: II Peter 3:8-14

Gospel: Mark 1:1-8

Choose one of the readings used at Mass this weekend...

Who is speaking in this passage? _____

To whom are they speaking? _____

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