

# FAMILY PRAYER

## WEEK BY WEEK



**Easter Sunday - Year A**

12 April 2020

**“The teaching of Scripture is that Jesus must rise from the dead.”**

### Something to Think About

The Easter season reminds us that we are not alone, that we have never been alone. Jesus is with us now and forever. We have reason to hope and to help! We have cause to celebrate! There is life in abundance and we are called to make a difference!

### The Story

It was a dark, early Sunday morning. Jesus was dead. Mary Magdalene went to his tomb, but when she got there the stone at the entrance had been rolled away. The tomb was empty! Mary ran and told Peter and the other disciple that Jesus was gone. They went and checked for themselves. The tomb was empty because Jesus is risen! Alleluia!

### The Scriptures

**A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to John**

20:1-9

On Sunday morning while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene went to the tomb and saw that the stone had been rolled away from the entrance. She ran to Simon Peter and to Jesus' favourite disciple and said, "They have taken the Lord from the tomb! We don't know where they have put him." Peter and the other disciple started for the tomb.

They ran side by side, until the other disciple ran faster than Peter and got there first.

He bent over and saw the strips of linen cloth lying inside the tomb, but he did not go in.

When Simon Peter got there, he went into the tomb and saw the strips of cloth.

He also saw the piece of cloth that had been used to cover Jesus' face. It was rolled up and in a place by itself. The disciple who got there first then went into the tomb, and when he saw it, he believed. At that time Peter and the other disciple did not know that the Scriptures said Jesus would rise to life.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

### Family Discussion

Imagine you were there on that first Easter morning and found the empty tomb. How did you feel? What did you think? Whom did you tell?

### Video

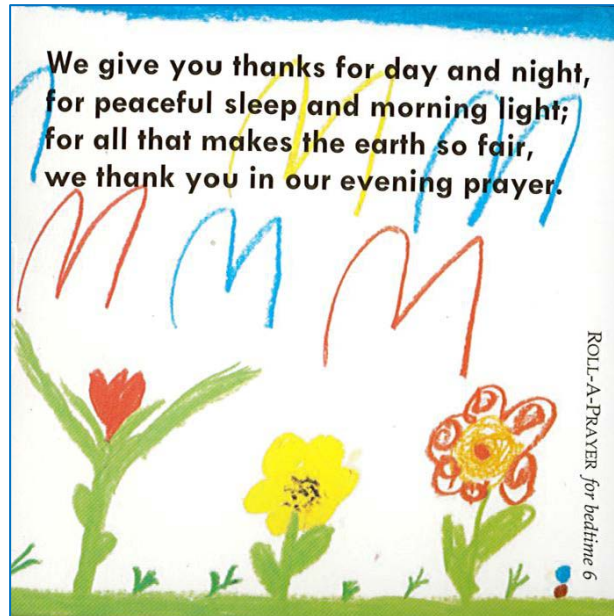
Click to watch the video:

[123 Jesus is Alive !](#)



## THINGS TO DO THIS WEEK

### Bedtime Prayer



### Family Activity

Make some Easter cards and attach them to Easter eggs. Following safe distancing rules, leave an Easter egg and card at your grandparents' or neighbours' front door reminding them that *Jesus is Risen! Alleluia!*





**NEW LIFE**



**EASTER EGGS:  
CELEBRATING THE NEW LIFE OF  
JESUS, RISEN FROM THE DEAD**

**SHARE YOUR JOY! SHARE YOUR LIFE!**

**GIVE ONE OF YOUR EASTER  
EGGS TO SOMEONE IN  
YOUR FAMILY**