

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD - CYCLE A VOLUNTEER OVERVIEW



GOOD SHEPHERD CATHOLIC CHURCH

WEEKLY FLOW OUTLINE

1. Before You Meet With the Children

Read the Scripture readings (see below), especially the Gospel.

Readings also found at: <https://bible.usccb.org/readings/calendar>

2. Invite the Holy Spirit

Ask the Holy Spirit to guide your words and actions.

3. Welcome the Children

Begin with a warm welcome and the Sign of the Cross.

4. Proclaim the Gospel - Read out loud directly from Scripture.

5. Reflection Questions (sample questions provided but follow the Spirit!)

Encourage children to participate but never require a child to speak.

6. Send Forth

Close with prayer and return to Mass reverently.



REMINDER

God works through your kindness, patience, and presence.

Trust that the Holy Spirit is at work—even in moments of silence.

"Let the children come to me." (Matthew 19:14)

THANK YOU

Your presence helps our parish children encounter Jesus in a way that is prayerful, welcoming, and suited to their age. You are not expected to have all the answers. Your role is simply to help the children listen to the Gospel and reflect on how it connects to their lives. Children's Liturgy of the Word is an invitation—an opportunity for children to feel safe, seen, and loved by God and by the Church.



Children's Liturgy of the Word – Cycle A



6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Scripture

- **First Reading:**
Sirach 15:15–20
- **Gospel:** Matthew
5:17–37

Theme: Jesus teaches us to love God's law from the heart.



Reflection Questions

Personal: What is Jesus teaching us today through this Gospel?

Relational: How can you live this Gospel at home or at school this week?

Mission: What is one loving action you can do to follow Jesus this week?

Catechist Note

This Gospel teaches children that real happiness comes from loving God and others, not from having everything go our way.

Jesus knows this can be hard—and He is proud when you truly do your best.

Sending Forth Prayer

**Jesus, help us
live Your Word
with love. Amen.**



Daily Readings

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Lectionary: 76

Reading 1

Sirach 15:15-20

If you choose you can keep the commandments, they will save you;
if you trust in God, you too shall live;
he has set before you fire and water
to whichever you choose, stretch forth your hand.
Before man are life and death, good and evil,
whichever he chooses shall be given him.
Immense is the wisdom of the Lord;
he is mighty in power, and all-seeing.
The eyes of God are on those who fear him;
he understands man's every deed.
No one does he command to act unjustly,
to none does he give license to sin.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34

R. (1b) Blessed are they who follow the law of the Lord!

Blessed are they whose way is blameless,
who walk in the law of the LORD.

Blessed are they who observe his decrees,
who seek him with all their heart.

R. Blessed are they who follow the law of the Lord!

You have commanded that your precepts

be diligently kept.

Oh, that I might be firm in the ways
of keeping your statutes!

R. Blessed are they who follow the law of the Lord!

Be good to your servant, that I may live
and keep your words.

Open my eyes, that I may consider
the wonders of your law.

R. Blessed are they who follow the law of the Lord!

Instruct me, O LORD, in the way of your statutes,
that I may exactly observe them.

Give me discernment, that I may observe your law
and keep it with all my heart.

R. Blessed are they who follow the law of the Lord!

Reading 2

1 Corinthians 2:6-10

Brothers and sisters:

We speak a wisdom to those who are mature,
not a wisdom of this age,

nor of the rulers of this age who are passing away.

Rather, we speak God's wisdom, mysterious, hidden,
which God predetermined before the ages for our glory,

and which none of the rulers of this age knew;

for, if they had known it,

they would not have crucified the Lord of glory.

But as it is written:

What eye has not seen, and ear has not heard,

and what has not entered the human heart,

what God has prepared for those who love him,

this God has revealed to us through the Spirit.

For the Spirit scrutinizes everything, even the depths of God.

Jesus said to his disciples:

"I tell you, unless your righteousness surpasses that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will not enter the kingdom of heaven.

"You have heard that it was said to your ancestors,
You shall not kill; and whoever kills will be liable to judgment.
But I say to you,
whoever is angry with his brother
will be liable to judgment.

"You have heard that it was said,
You shall not commit adultery.
But I say to you,
everyone who looks at a woman with lust
has already committed adultery with her in his heart.

"Again you have heard that it was said to your ancestors, Do not
take a false oath,
but make good to the Lord all that you vow.

But I say to you, do not swear at all.

Let your 'Yes' mean 'Yes,' and your 'No' mean 'No.' Anything more is
from the evil one