

STUDY GUIDE

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HOLY WEEK

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1. According to this article, how is Holy Week different from the rest of the "feel" of Lent?
2. What special day begins Holy Week?
3. Sometimes, Holy Thursday goes by another name. What is it?
4. What did Jesus institute at the Last Supper? (Hint - there are two!)
5. Why is the liturgy of Good Friday called the "Mass of Presanctification?"
6. What important ritual do we all participate in at Good Friday services?
7. What does "keeping vigil" mean?
8. The Easter Vigil begins with this action...
9. How will the priest prepare the Paschal Candle at the Easter Vigil?
10. How many reading from Scripture are usually included at the Easter Vigil liturgy?

PRAISES

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1. What is health care reform and what has happened of importance over the last two weeks?
2. Who is the president of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops?
3. What is the main concern of the bishops regarding health care reform?
4. How many Catholics are in the United States?
5. Have your teacher explain the concern about conscience protection and discuss.

HEROES

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1. What is your definition of a hero?
2. Who is a hero in your life and why?
3. According to this writer, what are the requirements of a hero?
4. What are some of the things heroes might have to sacrifice?
5. Have you ever been brave enough to stand up for something you believed? Share your experience.

KIDS

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1. What is the one true prescription for happiness in life?
2. How did Jesus make the lowly donkey an honorable creature?
3. What do we celebrate and what do we recall on Palm Sunday?
4. When is the new Paschal Candle first lit?
5. During Holy Week, what are the three days that focus on the passion, death and resurrection of Jesus called?