

St. Edward the Confessor Grade 8 Confirmation Preparation Gospel Project

Called to Prayer/Called to Worship – Deepening Our Faith – We Celebrate

In preparation for the reception of Confirmation, each candidate should strive to strengthen his or her own faith. The Eucharist is *"the source and summit of the Christian life"* (CCC no. 1324).

The Sunday Liturgy (Mass) is the gathering of the faithful to pray and give praise to God. During the liturgy, we hear the Word of God proclaimed (the Gospel). The Celebrant (priest or deacon) shares his thoughts on the Word so that we may take the Word with us as we leave Mass. One way for us to truly live out the Word of God is to spend time reflecting on what those words mean to us.

For this project, choose TWO Gospels:

- Attend Mass or watch the Mass on television (some parish websites broadcast the Mass live).
- Listen to the Gospel (on television, during a virtual Mass, or in person).
- Read the Gospel (printed weekly in our parish bulletin, on our parish website and on the USCCB website).
- Read *"From Fr. Mike's Desk"* (also in the weekly bulletin) and listen to the homily.
- List the Gospel's chapter and verse (for example Mark 1:7-11). You do not need to type the passage).
- Write something about the message of the passage. What do you think it meant?
- What does this Gospel tell you about Jesus?
- What do you feel God is saying to YOU at this moment through this passage?
- What would you say to God after reading/hearing this passage?

You can find the readings on The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops' website. Just click on <https://bible.usccb.org/> and choose the Sunday date. Click on "View Videos" for a Reflection on the readings.

The project should be at least one page for each Gospel and is to be typed and emailed as a PDF or Word Document to Mrs. Ann Braun at abraun@st-edwards.org

Due date: *No later than* February 1, 2024. Put your full name on each project.