

## JESUS AND THE NEW COVENANT

### UNIT TWO: JESUS FULFILS HIS MISSION

#### Revision

*[Do not give the written test at this class!]*

- Begin with a short prayer.
- Divide the class into 5 groups. Each group has 10 minutes to prepare an introduction for one of the Luminous Mysteries of the Rosary. The introduction should be about 3-4 minutes and should bring out the deeper significance of the incident. They could use their handouts to help them prepare.
- Write the following on the blackboard and ask the students to memorise the mysteries:
  1. The Baptism of Jesus [*Lesson 2; Matthew 3:13-17*]
  2. The Wedding Feast at Cana [*Lesson 8; John 2:1-11*]
  3. The Proclamation of the Kingdom [*Lesson 8; Mark 1:14-15; Luke 4:16-21*]
  4. The Transfiguration of Jesus [*Lesson 9; Matthew 17: 1-9.*]
  5. The Institution of the Eucharist [*Lesson 10; Luke 22: 7-20*]
- The Rosary is then prayed, each group introducing and leading one mystery.

*NB. 1. The group doing the 2<sup>nd</sup> mystery focuses only on miracles, this being Jesus' first miracle. The group doing the 3<sup>rd</sup> mystery deals with the other aspects of the Proclamation.*

*2. It might be better to spread this activity to 2 periods, one for preparation and the other for praying the rosary. It would be good to pray at a grotto or some other suitable place.*

*3. Encourage the students to pray slow enough to be meaningful (but not artificially slow!) It might be good to check if the students know the words of the prayer. (There are quite a few Catholics who, even as adults, are praying incorrectly!)*

**MATERIALS NEEDED:** Students' files with past handouts; a Bible for group 2; rosaries.

**HOME ASSIGNMENT:** Prepare for a test on Lessons 8 to 11.

#### Test [Les 1-4]

- Begin with a prayer.
  - Make sure the students do not have their files with them.
  - If you like, you could allow the students to correct and mark their own papers as you call out the answers.
- NB. Do not leave the tests with the students afterwards, so that students of subsequent years can use the same test.*

**MATERIALS NEEDED:** Copies of test.

#### ANSWERS TO TEST

##### I. Fill in the blanks:

1. When Jesus announced his kingdom he asked the people to do 2 things: Repent and believe.
2. Jesus once told his disciples that in order to enter the kingdom, they would have to change and become like children.
3. When Jesus was transfigured, Moses and Elijah appeared and spoke with him.
4. Jesus said, "I am the living bread that came down from heaven. The bread that I will give is my flesh."

**II. Tick the 2 best (most suitable) options:**

1. Jesus came to call such people to his kingdom: B. Sinners. C. The poor.
2. Jesus used certain 'means' to proclaim his kingdom. They were: A. His death and resurrection.  
D. Sending out his apostles.
3. At first Peter did not accept Jesus' message that.. D. Glory is reserved for later, not for this life.  
E. He (Jesus) must suffer on earth.
4. The 2 main parts of the Mass are..B. Liturgy of the Word. D. Liturgy of Eucharist.

**III. Mark 'True' or 'False' at the end of each statement:**

1. God invites everyone to his kingdom. TRUE
2. The Eucharist is the human side of Jesus, not Jesus as God. FALSE
3. The transfiguration of Jesus is a sign of what will happen to our bodies at the end of time. TRUE
4. Simon Peter was the first Pope. TRUE

**IV. Choose the right answers from the block below and write them in the blanks:**

1. The changing of bread and wine into Christ's body and blood **TRANSUBSTANTIATION**
2. The land of the dead **HADES**
3. The word 'Eucharist' means **THANKSGIVING**
4. The day when we celebrate the institution of the priesthood **MAUNDY THURSDAY**
5. Bread in the desert **MANNA**
6. A king-priest who brought bread and wine **MELCHIZEDEK**
7. Jewish feast when a lamb was eaten **PASSOVER**
8. The Greek word for 'rock' **PETRA**
9. Most common means Jesus used to teach **PARABLES**
10. Led people to believe who Jesus was **MIRACLES**

**V. Complete the tables:**

1 <sup>st</sup>	Baptism of Jesus
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Wedding at Cana
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Proclamation of the Kingdom
4 <sup>th</sup>	Transfiguration of Jesus
5 <sup>th</sup>	Institution of the Eucharist

Simon Peter	Andrew
James	John
Philip	Bartholomew
Matthew	Thomas
James (son of Alphaeus)	Thaddeus
Simon	Judas Iscariot

**VI. Give 2 good reasons to answer the question:**

*Why do you Catholics believe that the host at Mass is really Jesus' body and blood?*

- Our belief is based on reason. Some of the reasons are:
1. We believe because people we trust have told it to us. This belief has been handed down through the apostles. All the saints had a strong faith in the presence of Jesus in the Eucharist.
  2. The Bible gives strong support to this belief. In all 3 Synoptic gospels, Jesus himself said, "This is my Body, this is my blood." St. Paul also stressed this belief when he wrote to the Corinthians.
  3. We know that God is all powerful. If God could make the universe from nothing by his word, he can also change things by his word. I.e. He can change the bread and wine into the body and blood of Jesus.