



THIS WEEK AT HOME

Monday, May 1

See the Glory of God

We hear in today's Gospel, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." During this Easter Time, you might reflect the joy of your belief in your surroundings. Water your flowers and open the blinds! Let in the sunlight, lighten your spaces where you live and work. How is the Easter season celebrated visually in your parish, in your home, in your life? It is not enough to sing alleluia, although it is necessary. Does your face reflect the joy of the season? *Today's Readings: Acts 6:8–15; Psalm 119:23–24, 26–27, 29–30; John 6:22–29.*

Tuesday, May 2

St. Athanasius

When the Apostles look for a sign, they tell Jesus of the manna that was sent to their ancestors in the desert. Jesus tells them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty." During this Easter season, we have time to take these words to heart. How do we take in and share the bread of life that we are given in Christ? *Today's Readings: Acts 7:51–8:1a; Psalm 31:3cd–4, 6 and 7b and 8a, 17 and 21ab; John 6:30–35.*

Wednesday, May 3

Sts. Philip and James, Apostles

In the middle of the Easter season, it is appropriate to remember the Twelve, who were witnesses of Jesus' years of ministry, as well as his Passion, Death, and Resurrection. From their witness, they proclaimed to their death the meaning of the Paschal Mystery. The Apostles' lives are both a reminder and an invitation for us to continue to live and witness to that same mystery. *Today's Readings: 1 Corinthians 15:1–8; Psalm 19:2–3, 4–5; John 14:6–14.*

Thursday, May 4

Baptism Offered for All

When Philip baptizes the eunuch in today's passage from the Acts of the Apostles, we know that this adds meaning to the universality of Baptism in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. The Sacrament of Baptism continues to root all Christians in the fullness of life in the Trinity. As you make the Sign of the Cross today, call to mind all the baptized, who share in your faith and calling. *Today's Readings: Acts 8:26–40; Psalm 66:8–9, 16–17, 20; John 6:44–51.*

Friday, May 5

Sharing in the Paschal Mystery

The Eucharist proclaims a sharing in Christ's Body and Blood, and also a sharing in Christ's Death and Resurrection. When we partake of the Eucharist, we are gaining life everlasting. It is only when we fully enter into the mystery of Christ, as did Paul in today's First Reading, that we can be nourished enough to go out into the world and "proclaim Jesus." *Today's Readings: Acts 9:1–20; Psalm 117:1bc, 2; John 6:52–59.*

Saturday, May 6

Everlasting Life

The belief that Jesus is the "Holy One of God," prompts Peter to proclaim not only his belief and loyalty to Jesus. Peter is all in. He states that he could not turn his back on Jesus, since he is God. To whom else could he possibly turn? It is only through Jesus that we have the holiness of God, revealed completely. He has the words of everlasting life. *Today's Readings: Acts 9:31–42; Psalm 116:12–13, 14–15, 16–17; John 6:60–69.*

