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The Holy Spirit
is our helper.



Growing FAITH at home

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
The colour of Easter is WHITE or GOLD for victory, glory and majesty.

FAITH 5



share

Your highs and lows of the day, or respond to the following question:

Have you learned anything about God today? In ordinary occasions, spare moments?



read

Daily Bible Readings

S	John 14:15-21	The promise of the Holy Spirit
M	John 14:23-27	The Spirit will teach you
T	John 16:5-16	The work of the Holy Spirit
W	1 John 4:13-21	He has given us his Spirit
T	Acts 1:1-11	The ascension of Jesus
F	Hebrews 4:14-16	Jesus has gone through the heavens
S	Psalms 68:3-5, 17-20	Ascended on high
S	John 17:1-11	Jesus prays for his disciples



talk

- Who has been helpful to you this past week? In what ways have you helped others?
- Jesus called the Holy Spirit our helper or counsellor. What does the Holy Spirit help us to do?
- How would you like the Holy Spirit to help you today?



pray

The prayer for the week

Jesus, you are Lord of our hearts. Help us to be gentle and respectful towards others, so that they see you alive in us. Amen.

And for your highs and lows, for your family and for the world.



bless

Share this week's blessing (below) or make up your own.

May God give you the Holy Spirit as a helper and guide. Amen.

creative response

Psalms 66:19-20 says

"God has listened; he has heard my prayer. Praise God, who did not ignore my prayer or hold back his love from me."

Begin a household prayer journal – a book in which to record your prayer points. In your home devotion times share any prayer concerns you have and write these in the journal.

Let these concerns guide your prayers during the week. Review the journal each week and cross off points when the need for prayer has passed.

Always remember to give thanks for God's responses to your prayers.

A dramatic contrast occurs on Easter Day where the mood changes to one of festivity, flowers, greenery, additional candles and other decorations. This is the day that we joyfully celebrate Jesus' victory over death and the joy of the empty tomb.

verse for the week

"Then I will ask the Father to send you the Holy Spirit who will help you and always be with you. The Spirit will show you what is true."

JOHN 14:16-17A

easter

mealtimes prayer

Come Holy Spirit, be our guest and let this food to us be blessed. Amen.