

SEASONAL BOOKS in O.R.E.

LENT/EASTER

Experiencing Mystagogy: The Sacred Pause of Easter

Gerard Baumbauch

A companion book for neophytes, *Experiencing Mystagogy* makes connections between the lectionary of the Easter Season with human experience, the initiation process - especially the ritual celebrations - and the tradition of the church so that the neophyte can take his or her place within the community of the faithful focused on serving the mission of the reign of God. **27.BAUM**

Easter Bread

William Bruns

This book presents the rich fare of the Sunday gospels during the Easter season in a way that especially nurtures the faith of the new baptised and all those who have shared their journey. It contains the gospel texts for the Sundays of the Easter season and the Ascension. It provides a spiritual Commentary on the gospel, Connections to help neophytes remember and “savour” their experience, and a Prayer/Reflection for each week. **27.BRUN**

Season of Mercy: Lent & Easter

Catherine Doherty

Catherine Doherty leads us into the riches of God’s boundless mercy as she teaches us the spirit, the liturgy, and the customs of the Lent-Easter season. **27.DOHE**

Arts and Crafts for Lent

Jeanne Heiberg

This book offers detailed instructions for creating classroom and home craft projects from simple materials during Mardi Gras and the Christian penitential season. Added to the instructions, *Arts & Crafts for Lent* includes educational background on the season, enabling parents and teachers to turn projects into learning experiences. This book also contains prayers and ritual blessings children of all ages can participate in when their art projects are completed. **27.HEIB**

Lent is for Children

Julie Kelemen

Liguori, 1993

This book offers a fund way for your young Catholic to learn and understand Lenten practices and many other Lenten basics. **27.KELE**

Easter for 50 Days

Bernard Maxwell, Judy Foster, Jill Shirvington

The authors share with us ideas for liturgical celebrations that will renew, inspire and revitalize your parish’s awareness of the unique promise held by the 50 days of Easter. There is much material here that will be most useful in the classroom, as well as provide encouraging stimulus for liturgists, homilists, catechists, musicians, and others involved in planning positive, Christian faith experiences. **27.MAXW**

Lenten Lunches

Archbishop Daniel Pilarczyk

The menu for *Lenten Lunches* includes food for thought - a “lunch” - for each Lenten weekday,

beginning with Ash Wednesday, and includes the Triduum and Easter Week as a kind of dessert course.

27.PILAR

All the Days of Lent

Colane Recker O.S.F.

A really practical “everyone-can-do-it” guide to a rewarding Lenten spiritual exercise. For each day of Lent - including Sundays - the author expresses a thought taken from the liturgy of the day, makes a practical suggestion for a deed to be done or a promise to be made that calls for a degree of sacrifice, and offers a passage from scripture for meditation. **27.RECK**

The Essential Lenten Handbook

Redemptorist Publication

This book provides everything you need for a richer experience of the forty days before Easter. Whether you wish to follow a traditional program of Lenten devotion centered around prayer, a ‘modern’ program that focuses on Scripture readings, a family model that brings your loved ones together for a shared spiritual journey, or a unique devotional program of your own devising, this all-in-one resource will be a treasured Lenten guide. **27.REDE**

The First Easter: What Really Happened?

H. J. Richards

In this comprehensive, popular presentation of this century’s critical study of the Bible, the author offers today’s believers a way to affirm the resurrection in this age. College students, adults involved in Bible studies and teens and adults in general will find this book a treasure to read and re-read. Clergy and lay persons who proclaim the gospels will find this book rewarding and a constant source for lessons in their preaching and teaching ministries. **27.RICH**

Fasting

Carole Rogers

Sorin Books, 2004

Fasting is a universal spiritual practice, common in both Eastern and Western cultures, and a part of almost every religious tradition. It is also an important secular practice, often for a political or social cause such as peace, justice, or to alleviate hunger. This helpful guide includes perspectives that cross time and tradition, plus plenty of practical help, with historical information, inspiring personal stories and plenty of encouragement. **27.ROGE**

Lent Begins at Home

Pat and Rosemary Ryan

This book offers ideas and activities to help a family share the true meaning of Lent - and rejoice in the true meaning of Easter! **27.RYAN**

ADVENT/CHRISTMAS

Family Celebrations: Advent and Christmas

This imaginative booklet helps parents and children celebrate Advent and Christmas in the home. Included are blessings for the Advent wreath and Jesse tree, a Hanukkah home-blessing, activities for the twelve days of Christmas, and explanations of seasonal traditions. **27A.ADVENT**

The Season of Light: Daily Prayer for the Advent Wreath

Jay Cormier

A guide for families, households, communities, and parishes who wish to make the lighting of the Advent candles a daily prayer. **27A.CORM**

Advent Angels

Sue Doggett

Lots of stories, crafts, puzzles and games to enjoy throughout the days of Advent. **27A.DOGG**

Advent Family Activities

Fr. Chuck Gallagher, S.J.

Chuck Gallagher, 1977

Here are family activities for the month before Christmas to fill your hearts and lives with the love and giving of Jesus. **27A.GALL**

A Child in Winter

Advent, Christmas, and Epiphany with Caryll Houselander. Edited by Thomas Hoffman

Thomas Hoffman artfully presents Caryll Houselander's timeless vision and spiritual insight in this wonderful, luminous companion to Advent, Christmas and Epiphany. Steeped in Scripture and the beauty of the season, *A Child in Winter* invites the reader into the mystery and promises to remain a trusted partner on winter's journey for many years to come. **27A.HOUS**

Christmas is Coming

Mary and Herb Montgomery

Herb and Mary Montgomery, 1984

Here is a delightful arts-and-crafts seasonal book of Advent devotions, activities and songs for the family to share and enjoy while preparing for Christmas. **27A.MONT**

St. Nicholas the Wonder Worker

Anne Neuberger

Introduce your family to the man behind the myths with this irresistible collection of stories about the saint we call Santa Claus. Keep the sense of wonder and joy of belief in Santa alive in the hearts of children of all ages all through the year and especially this Christmas ... and every Christmas to come. **27A.NEUB**

The Essential Advent & Christmas Handbook

Redemptorists Publication

This handbook provides everything you need for a richer experience of this sacred time. Whether you wish to follow a traditional, contemporary, or family program of devotion and prayer for Advent and Christmas, this all-in-one resource will be a treasured guidebook. **27A.REDE**

The Gift of Time

Morehouse-Barlow Company, Inc., 1977

This book is designed to bring into focus the true meaning of the Advent, Christmas and Epiphany seasons and their relevance to family life. The book contains a unique collection of customs and activities related to these sessions which will appeal to all communions and can be shared by all family

members, young and old alike. Along with prayers, stories and exercises in meditation, *The Gift of Time* suggests creative projects for the family - projects which heighten the joy of sharing, thus drawing the participants closer together. **27A.VARI**

Watch for the Light

Plough Publishing, 2001

A collection of readings for Advent and Christmas that offer wisdom, beauty and spiritual nourishment from a wide spectrum of classic and contemporary sources. **27A.VARI**

BOOKS in LITURGY OFFICE

The Great Seasons

Your guide to celebrating Advent, Christmas, Epiphany, Lent, Holy Week, Triduum, The Easter Season

Offers valuable insights to help with parish liturgy planning and to deepen private celebration of these special times of the liturgical year. **ISBN 0-9623410-4-5 BOOK#: 13.126**

Preparing the Liturgical Year 1: Sunday and the Paschal Triduum

Corbin Eddy

Novalis, 1997

The paschal mystery is the heart of the liturgical year. Celebrated most intensely during the Easter Triduum, it is also the heartbeat of all the other seasons. Background to the seasons, practical applications of principles and ideas for working with the paschal triduum and the Sundays of Ordinary Time will make this an invaluable resource. **ISBN 2-89088-793-6 BOOK#: 13.013 E**

Preparing the Liturgical Year 2: Lent-Easter and Advent-Christmas

Corbin Eddy

Novalis, 1997

The paschal mystery is the heart of the liturgical year. Celebrated most intensely during the Easter Triduum, it is also the heartbeat of all the other seasons. Background to the seasons, practical applications of principles and ideas for ongoing catechesis for the Lent-Easter and Advent-Christmas make this an invaluable resource. **ISBN 0-89088-890-8 BOOK#: 13.013F**

VIDEOS in O.R.E.

LENT: A TIME OF RENEWAL

SPEAKER: Rev. Anthony Scannell

PUBLISHED: Franciscan Communications (1987)

This seven part family video program, focussed on Sunday gospels of Lent, will lead you to discover for yourself what your Baptismal commitment really means.

Week One: Don't Tempt Me - Baptism, Skateboard, Temptation of Jesus, Church Destroyed

Week Two: Open Your Eyes - Beauty of Nature, William, Ps. 139

Week Three: Bubble Up - Watering, Hong Kong woman, Water Images

Week Four: Give Me Light - "Light" images, Dreams of a Blind artist/sculptor

Week Five: Loosen Up - The Dancer, Lazarus Come Forth, Welcome Home Grandma, Who in the world needs your hug? Please Forgive Me, Mass

Week Six: Here's Hoping - Washing of the Feet, Crucifix, Grandma's Bread

Easter: Happy Easter!

LENGTH: 1 hr/45 min. **VID#:** 18.100

JOURNEY TO EASTER

SPEAKER: Rev. Anthony Scannell

PUBLISHED: Franciscan Communications (1986)

Fr. Scannell guides you in a warm, informal way, through scripture, drama, story and music toward a more personal and prayerful understanding of what Lent and Easter are all about. Could be used in a classroom or family setting. Seven segments: **1)** A Journey Apart (18 min) - The Prodigal Son, The Quiet Moment

2) A Change of Heart (10 min) - Self-sacrifice, Sisters of Charity

3) Who Are You? (12 min) - Tapestry, The Blind Man

4) Lost and Found (13 min) - I'm a Tiger

5) The Servant Comes (11 min) - God is in love with me, Bread & Wine

6) The Way of the Cross (17 min) - Good Friday, Shroud of Turin, Maximilian Kolbe, Christ on Skid Row

7) The Light of the World (9 min) - Celebrate New Life, Spring, Eucharist

Level: all ages. **LENGTH:** 1½ hrs (total) **VID#:** 18.101

EASTER SEASON: A TIME TO REMEMBER

SPEAKER: Kathleen Chesto

PUBLISHED: Twenty-Third Publications (1991)

Parents experience a "letting go" as their children grow into adulthood and begin a new life. But parents also learn that memory will hold a family together, despite moves or transitions. And so family experience can teach us about the Eucharist, in which we remember Jesus' passion and death and celebrate his new life in the resurrection. **GUIDE. LENGTH:** 20 min. **VID#:** 18.102

LENT: A TIME TO FORGIVE

SPEAKER: Kathleen Chesto

PUBLISHED: Twenty-Third Publications (1991)

Lent allows us to slow down and realize that we are loved for who we are, not for what we do. Parents can accept and love their children, despite their mistakes. The sacrament of Reconciliation offers us this same gift of forgiveness. We can learn to forgive and accept ourselves as God does, and then offer forgiveness to others. **GUIDE. LENGTH:** 20 min. **VID#:** 18.103

THE ANGEL'S LENTEN LESSON

SPEAKER: Gwen Costello

PUBLISHED: Twenty-Third Publications (1995)

It's not enough having to attend religion classes ... now Danny has to complete a take-home quiz on Lent, and he's not happy about it! He's lived through seven lenten seasons but is having trouble remembering the meaning of Lent: Why the ashes? How do we pray during Lent? What's the purpose of fasting? Danny is struggling with the quiz when he is suddenly surprised by an unlikely visitor, his guardian angel, who helps him remember what the lenten season is all about, and ... they have fun doing it. Danny comes to realize the importance of Lent in the Church and in his own life through an encounter he will not soon forget. (Nor will your students!) This video is perfect for children in grades 3 through 8 -- those with little background and those who just need their memories jogged. A Teacher's Guide offers background information about Lent, suggested activities and follow-up questions for discussion.

GUIDE. LENGTH: 14 min. **VID#:** 18.104

PREPARING FOR CHRISTMAS

SPEAKER: Rev. Anthony Scannell

PUBLISHED: Franciscan Communications (1986)

Four 15-min. segments. This video explores the history behind many of our Christmas customs, songs and celebrations. Some of the themes include: Waiting, Hoping, Preparing, Giving & Receiving. Can be used by parents at home or teachers at schools. Level: general. **GUIDE. LENGTH:** 1 hr. **VID#:** 18.105

PREPARING FOR CHRISTMAS II

SPEAKER: Rev. Anthony Scannell

PUBLISHED: Franciscan Communications (1988)

An Advent program for the family. Through music and drama and narrative, Fr. Anthony draws adults and children into the experience of hope and joy that mark the Advent season and the glory of Christmas. **GUIDE. LENGTH:** 1 hr. **VID#:** 18.106

ADVENT: A TIME TO HOPE

SPEAKER: Dr. Kathleen Chesto

PUBLISHED: Twenty-Third Publications (1990)

Family activities, such as Christmas shopping and card writing, reveal a spirituality that can teach us about Advent. We live in a hectic world, and Christmas is a busy time, but God calls us from within this world to witness to the presence of Christ. Family life can provide signs and symbols of hope as we wait for the coming of the Kingdom of God. **LENGTH:** 20 min. **VID#:** 18.107

THE ANGEL'S ADVENT LESSON

SPEAKER: Gwen Costello

PUBLISHER: Twenty Third Publications, 1995

Danny is happily making out his Christmas list - adding more and more toys and games - when his Guardian Angel, Theophane, suddenly appears. It is very obvious to Theo that Danny has forgotten the real meaning of Christmas. Together they review practices like the Advent wreath, reciting daily prayers at home and doing daily acts of kindness. Does Danny have a change of heart? Does he remember that Jesus is the reason for the Christmas Season? Is he happy or sad with Theo's message? **GUIDE.**

LENGTH: 11 min. **VID#:** 18.108

AN INVITATION TO RETURN

PUBLISHED: The National Catholic Parish Mission

Show #1 - Prayer - Our Relationship With God; Show #2 - Almsgiving - Our Relationship With Others; Show #3 - Fasting - Our Relationship With All of Creation. **VID#:** 18.108-1-3

ROLLING BACK THE ROCK

Acta Publications, 1990

John Shea, master storyteller and theologian, reflects on the true meaning of Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday and Easter Sunday. With his characteristic brilliance, Shea offers startling new insights into the familiar events of Holy Week. Using the Passion narratives of the four Gospels and many other scripture passages along with contemporary insights and classic stories, Shea provides inspiration and spiritual challenge. This video is divided into four half-hour segments. Shea's commentary is preceded by an "angel of the Lord" who introduces each segment. A Discussion Guide offers suggestions for using this video in adult education, Lenten discussion programs, RCIA, Bible study and similar settings. **GUIDE. LENGTH:** 120 min. **VID#:** 18.109

LENT AND EASTER

St. Anthony Messenger Press

Story segment: meet a man whose personal story of spiritual death and rebirth illustrates the dying to self we all must undertake as true followers of Christ. *Witness segment:* Catholics share their personal reflections about the meaning of Lent and Easter in their own lives. *Teaching segment:* Franciscan Father Tom Richstatter presents an overview of the Easter Season – from Lent to Pentecost. He emphasizes how Baptism is central to Christian identity in the lives of all believers. **GUIDE. LENGTH:** 31 min. **VID#:** 18.110

SILENT NIGHT: THE STORY OF THE CHRISTMAS CAROL

The Christmas hymn "Silent Night" was composed in the village of Oberndorf in Austria. In 1818 the village pastor and the choir master composed this beautiful hymn as their celebration of the birth of Christ. 28 min. **VID#:** 18.111

THE FIRST CHRISTMAS

An all colour animated version of the classic Christmas tale, The First Christmas is both entertaining as well as educational for the entire family. This film features beautiful choral music, scenic settings, as well as a positive message for all to enjoy. 30 min. **VID#:** 18.112

THE BEST CHRISTMAS PAGEANT EVER

Oblate Media

BEWARE THE HERDMANS! They're the nastiest, dirtiest kids you could ever meet... and they've just decided they belong in this year's pageant. But the town thinks they belong in the care of the local police. When the curtain finally goes up, a miracle begins - and it all turns into... the Best Christmas Pageant Ever. 60 min. **VID#:** 18A.113

VIDEOS in Liturgy Office

HolyWeek: The Triduum

PRESENTER: Rev. Murray Kroetsch

Non-professionally produced

Diocesan workshop held January 17, 1987. Father Murray discusses the Mystery of Lent: beginning with an understanding of the Paschal Mystery; our baptismal incorporation into Christ, and that all liturgy celebrates the Paschal Mystery. Then he speaks about each of the three days of Holy Week: Holy Thursday, Good Friday and the Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday. **VID # 14.702** (2 copies)

Celebrating the Seasons: Advent/Christmas

PRESENTER: various members of the Liturgical Com.

Non-professionally produced

Diocesan workshop held November 12, 1988. Some use of slides were also used. Only two of the sessions are presented here: *Environment and Creativity*: presented by Sister Wanda MacDonald and Sister Gayle Desarmia; *Proclamation of the Advent/Christmas Readings* by Mary Pat Byrne. Parish Liturgy Committees will find much here to help them prepare for the Season—symbols and customs of the season, ideas for creating banners and other aspects of the environment. Lectors will also profit from the explanation of the connectedness of the various Sundays of the Advent/Christmas Season and a better understanding of the various readings. **VID # 14.703**

Let's Celebrate Holy Week*

PRESENTER: Rev. Malcolm Smith

Privately but professionally produced

In this video Father Smith explains each one of the liturgical celebrations of Holy Week. With a camera crew, he went to five different parishes in Montreal (St. Mary's, St. Edmond's, St. Patrick's, Good Shepherd and St. Ignatius of Loyola) and recorded the different liturgies of Holy Week. On this video he explains each celebration as it unfolds. **VID # 14.706**

NATIONAL CATHOLIC PARISH MISSION

2001 - "No Greater Love"

Show #1 - From What Must We Be Freed

Show #2 - Mary's Life in the Freedom of Love

Show #3 - Baptism and the Eucharist

2002 - Show #1 - You are the Salt of the Earth

Show #2 - You are the Light of the World

Show #3 - Spreading the Salt - Reflecting the Light

2002 - Easter Triduum - Reflections for Holy Week

Fr. Ron Rolheiser/ Sister Elizabeth Davis/ Msgr. Dennis Murphy