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## *Catechizing Corner!*

John was intent on having his disciples look past Jesus' suffering and death to his resurrection and his heavenly reign. In so doing, they would be able to look beyond the suffering of the present to see their own future participation in Jesus' glorious exaltation. The Paraclete would see them through the travail of this world until entrance into the next. Yahweh entered a covenant with the human race. Peace was the hallmark of this covenant. To those who do not have the vision of faith, sin seems to have destroyed creation's original plan of peace and harmony. Peace was also to be the hallmark of the messianic reign. The return of *paradise* would be characterized by *shalom* peace; all things would be in harmony. The greeting of peace was an expression that recognized another person to be in covenant relationship with God and others. Jesus was preparing for and foreshadowing the peace his death and resurrection would inaugurate. In today's pericope Jesus prepared his disciples for the gift of his Spirit whom he would send after his death. He would send the Paraclete, a reference to his Holy Spirit. The term, "another paraclete" was used in the Johannine tradition as Jesus was generally understood as the first paraclete. There is no mistake that John identifies Jesus and the Spirit as one.

Mary Birmingham, *Word and Worship Workbook, Cycle C*  
 Paulist Press, 1998



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# Disciple's Reflection for the Question

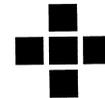
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## Call to Prayer

*Begin by calling upon God: In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, Amen.*

Let us pause for a moment and listen attentively to this week's passage.

## The Word of God John 14:23-29

A reading from the holy gospel according to John

Jesus said to his **disciples**:

"Whoever loves me will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our dwelling with him. Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; yet the word you hear is not mine but that of the Father who sent me.

"I have told you this while I am with you.

The Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all that I told you.

### Gospel Glossary

A **disciple** is a person who follows the words and actions of Jesus.

Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you.  
Not as the world gives do I give it to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid. You heard me tell you, 'I am going away and I will come back to you.'  
If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father; for the Father is greater than I. And now I have told you this before it happens, so that when it happens you may believe."  
**The Gospel of the Lord.**



## Faith Sharing

Questions of the Week:

**Adults:** How has the Holy Spirit inspired you, or taught you things?

**Teens:** At Confirmation, the gifts of the Spirit are poured out over the confirmandi. How did you experience the Gift of the Holy Spirit?

**Children:** How can you listen for the Holy Spirit?

**Families:** Describe ways that you listen and/or are led by the Holy Spirit.

## Closing Prayer

Lord, You have called us to be your disciples, to live in faith, walking always in your footsteps. By your suffering, death, and resurrection, you have made us children of God. As you have loved us and asked us to love one another, help us to love and embrace everyone in our lives.

Fill us with love, compassion, forgiveness, patience, understanding, and tolerance, even when we face the pain of hatred, rejection, and failure.

Guide us to be good disciples. May we seek always the praise and glory of God and the good of all people. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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