

LEARNING FOCUS 2: Gathering in love.





CONTENT

Show the video clip of the Introductory Rite of the Mass from the *Come and See* website. When people gather at Mass on Sunday, they bring with them their joys and sorrows, their giving and receiving, the good they have done and those things they are sorry for. Life is full of giving and receiving (taking) and sometimes gets out of balance. The Mass helps people to reflect on their daily lives and challenges them to try again. It gives Christians the strength and courage for this and the knowledge that they are supported in love and prayer.


Jesus understood very well how people often find it hard to love as much as they might do. In Matthew's Gospel Jesus explains how God loves and gives advice to us on how to love better.

Read *God's Story 3* page 84 Matthew 5: 45-58: *You have learned...*

SOME KEY QUESTIONS

-  How do you think giving and receiving (taking) could get out of balance?
-  Why is the Mass an occasion to help you reflect about your daily life?
-  What do you find hard in the advice offered and why?
-  What do you think is the most important piece of advice in this text?

Task:

-  Design a 'Charter to Live By' based on the Scripture passage you have studied (Matthew 5: 45-58), making links between the Scripture and how Christians might lead their lives.