THE CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

From the Atrium

What a privilege it is to walk with your children through the liturgical year! There is no greater time for this than the seasonal transition we experience between the penitential time of Lent into the anticipation of Holy Week culminating in the height of joy, Easter! These seasons are so rich with liturgical tradition, we often feel there is 'not enough time' to experience it all! In the Atrium, we keep to the most essential: "Christ has died. But Christ has risen!"

We welcomed the children back from Easter break with a miniature version of the Easter Vigil, a celebration we call: The Liturgy of Light. We prepare our Paschal candle and light it. We then sing the *Exultet* and read several accounts of the resurrection from the Gospels. Each child then 'receives the light of Christ' and places a candle on our prayer table, followed by a most joyous rendition of the *Celtic Alleluia*!

God is good. Christ is RISEN!



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From the children

[During presentation of The Last Supper to preschoolers]

Mrs. Casey: "...later that night, Jesus was arrested. The next day, he died. But we know that Jesus didn't stay in the darkness of death-"

Hunter: "-Yeah! Because He is the LIGHT of the world!"