

Dear Padre,

My aunt tells her husband he shouldn't watch a certain TV show. She says it's an "occasion of sin." What is that?

Occasions of sin are people, places, or situations that can easily lead a person to sin or give the individual an opportunity to commit a sin. There are two types: *remote* and *proximate* (or "near").

If the attraction is not strong or has only a small probability of leading to sin, the occasion is remote. Remote occasions of sin are always around us, and we have no obligation to try to avoid them.

If the attraction is powerful or the probability of its leading to sin is great, the occasion is called proximate. Saint Alphonsus suggested that if a person sins four out of ten times in a particular situation, that situation should be regarded as a proximate occasion of sin.

Proximate or near occasions of sin are further classified as *necessary* or *voluntary*. A necessary proximate occasion cannot be avoided or can be avoided only with great difficulty—for example, an occasion associated with doing one's job or being in prison.

A voluntary proximate occasion is freely and voluntarily entered. We must avoid voluntary proximate occasions of grave sin.

Among the many means at our disposal for avoiding occasions of sin, the sacraments of reconciliation and Eucharist have pride of place. Prayer and self-discipline also help.

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A WORD FROM Pope Francis

Temptation in us truly works like this: it begins with something small, a desire, an idea, it grows, it infects others and in the end, it justifies itself....And all of us, when we are conquered by temptation, ...end up feeling calm, because we have found a justification for this sin, for this sinful attitude.

HOMILY, APRIL 4, 2020

Calendar

- Monday**
MAY 16
Easter Weekday
Acts 14:5-18
Jn 14:21-26
- Tuesday**
MAY 17
Easter Weekday
Acts 14:19-28
Jn 14:27-31a
- Wednesday**
MAY 18
Easter Weekday
Acts 15:1-6
Jn 15:1-8
- Thursday**
MAY 19
Easter Weekday
Acts 15:7-21
Jn 15:9-11
- Friday**
MAY 20
Easter Weekday
Acts 15:22-31
Jn 15:12-17
- Saturday**
MAY 21
Easter Weekday
Acts 16:1-10
Jn 15:18-21
- Sunday**
MAY 22
Sixth Sunday of Easter
Acts 15:1-2, 22-23
Rv 21:10-14, 22-23
Jn 14:23-29

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Fifth Sunday Of Easter

May 15, 2022



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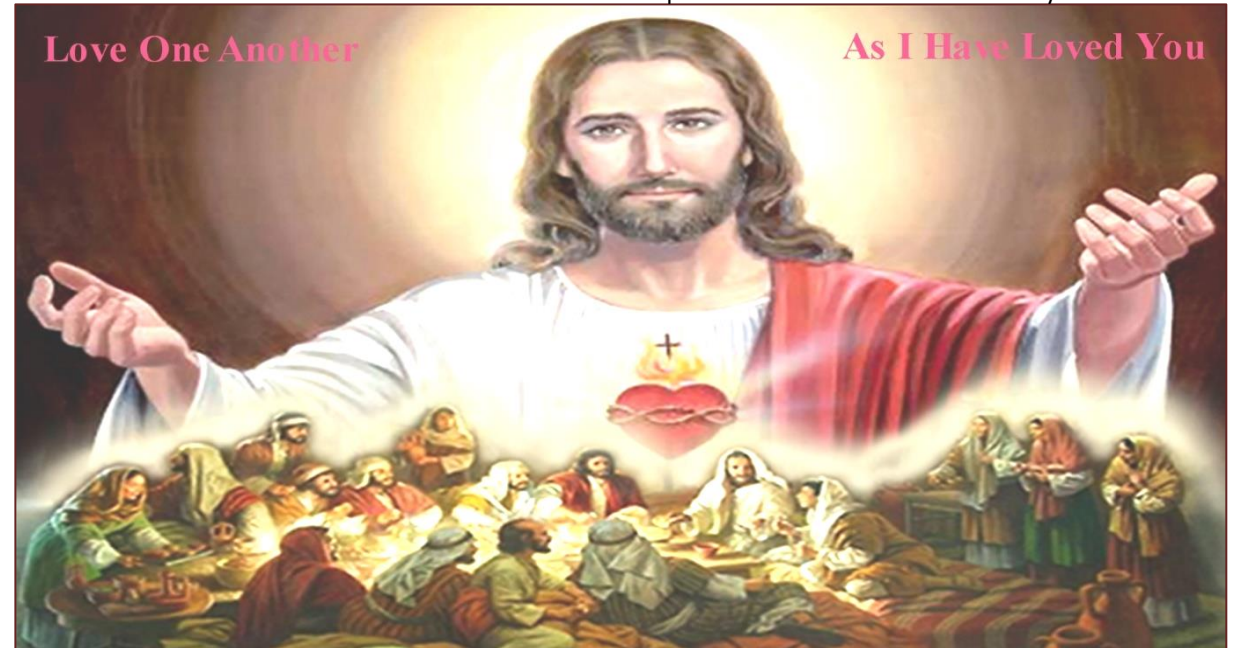
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Holy Spirit Mass Schedule & Intentions

Week of May 14 – May 20

- Sat 6:00 pm All Mothers Living & Deceased
- Sun 11:00 am All Mothers Living & Deceased
- Sun 6:00 pm Parishioners Living & Deceased
- Mon 8:00 am No Mass
- Tue 8:00 am Anika Jensen (Healing)
- Wed 8:00 am †Judy Salinas
- Thr 8:00 am †John Stringfellow
- Fri 8:00 am Albert & Bunny Lechner (Healing)

Christ the King Mass Schedule & Intentions

Week of May 14 – May 20

- Sat 4:00 pm All Mothers Living & Deceased
- Sun 9:15 am Graduating Students & their Parents
- Tue 6:00 pm †Souls in Purgatory, esp. Falcone/Johnson Family

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Before and after daily Mass, and by Appointment
 1st Friday Adoration – 8:30am- 6:00pm
 at Holy Spirit in St. Patrick's Chapel
 Adoration at Christ the King – Tuesday 5:30pm-6pm