

A couple of ideas as we head into Holy Week and the Triduum Liturgies. I mentioned a final Lenten Exercise might be to visit “Veritatis Splendor” during a homily this past week (see #2 below).

Vivat Jesus, Fr. Vic Gournas

1 HOLY WEEK WITH KIDS

Catholics commemorate the life and death of Jesus during Holy Week. With Easter just around the corner, it’s the perfect time to teach our children all about it. Here’s how to do the last days of Lent with young kids!

READ <http://email.vervemail.com/ct/62495983:JFHe tGNQ:m:1:2782675914:EA42D23BCDAC2F03336D1FD B42F0AD14:r>

2 This summer is the 30th anniversary of St. John Paul II’s great encyclical, *Veritatis Splendor* (“The Splendor of Truth”).

Veritatis Splendor is a headache for an unhappy cohort of today’s theologians and Church leaders. Hostility to it was obvious at, and well before, the 2015 synod. So the new Substack’s [inaugural article](#), by Charles Chaput, O.F.M. Cap., Philadelphia’s archbishop emeritus, is a great – and needed – reflection on the encyclical’s enduring importance.

-These last days before Holy Week are a moment of grace. They’re a time for self-examination; for repentance; for forgiving the sins of others, and so to be forgiven ourselves. We each carry hidden in our hearts a world of anger and hurt, vanity, petty cruelties, and avarice. That world can end on Good Friday, and a new one begin on Easter. *That*, more than anything, is “what we should do now.” And may we believe and have faith. . .and then live like we mean it.

Charles Chaput, O.F.M. Cap.,

<https://whatweneednow.substack.com/p/the-splendor-of-truth-and-why-it>

And Veritatis Splendor Doc:

https://www.vatican.va/content/john-paul-ii/en/encyclicals/documents/hf_jp-ii_enc_06081993_veritatis-splendor.html