GOSPEL REFLECTION ASSIGNMENT GUIDELINES

Once a month you are required to reflect on the gospel for the week. You will need your Bible to complete this assignment. We will discuss the gospel in class on Fridays. You are expected to complete your gospel reflection for homework and turn it in at the beginning of the class period after the weekend that it is completed. This will most likely be a Monday, but the due date may vary depending on holiday weekends. All reflections <u>must be typed</u>.

- 1. Be sure that your reflections:
 - Include your name, the date, and the gospel
 - Are a minimum of a two to three sentence response for each question
 - $\circ~$ Answer $\underline{\textit{all parts}}$ of the question-Some questions have multiple parts
- 2. Each question is worth <u>five points</u>, for a total of <u>twenty</u> points for each Gospel Reflection. This is a homework grade.
- 3. Late Gospel Reflections will receive 20% off.
- 4. Please respond to the following questions in paragraph form.
 - Summarize the main idea of the Gospel. Be sure to include names of important people and places as well as key events. What word or phrase jumps out at you in today's reading? Why?
 - e.g. The word that jumped out at me in today's reading was...I chose this word because...
 - Imagine yourself being present in the story as an onlooker or member of the crowd.
 What do you see, hear, smell, taste, feel, etc.? Describe everything in detail.
 - Imagine you are a main character in the reading. Who are you? What do you think, feel and do in response to the event(s)?
 - What does this reading remind you of in your life at this particular moment? How can you apply the message of the Gospel to your life going forward?

I understand that some of the gospels are difficult to interpret. Keep in mind that I am looking for <u>your</u> ideas on these readings. Use your Bible and pay attention to class discussions, and I am confident that you will do a fantastic job on these Gospel Reflections. These reflections are an excellent way to learn more about the Bible, your Catholic faith, and to become more involved in Mass.